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CHR. PLACE

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HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

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WIFE'S FATHER Henry R. Martin, Sr. MOTHER (Ellen) Eleanor Dooly/Dooley

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
M/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YE
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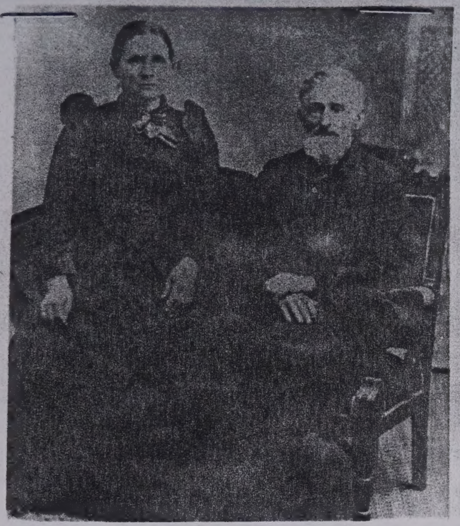
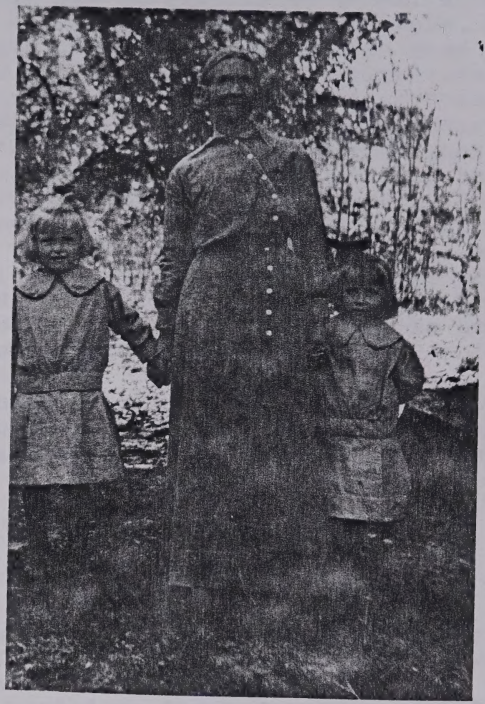


↗ Margrett E. (Martin) Ham
w/ her father Henry R.
Martin, Sr.

Taken before 1882
maybe between 1850 to 1860
Comache County, Texas



↗ Margrett Emley (Martin) Ham
w/2 of her granddaughters
Irma and Frieda Ham
Taken approx. 1915 in Texas

WILLIAM (BILL) ALEXANDER & MARGRETT EMLEY (MARTIN) HAM======================

Wm. A. Ham===

==A carpenter besides a farmer/stockraiser. It is reported by the grandchildren of Wm. A. Ham that he was the person to cut the first tree for the first Comanche County Courthouse in Comanche, Texas, when Comanche County was changed and reorganized from old Cora County. The courthouse was made of slim log poles. A trench was dug and the poles set on end similar to a picket fence. The structure had an earthern floor and shake roof. Because of the method of construction, the combination courthouse and jail was called the "Picket" courthouse. It was located southwest of what is now the town square, but near the historic Fleming Oak. Picket courthouse had a short life. The Minutes of Commissioners Court for March 20, 1862 simply states: "Whereas on the night of the 15th inst. the courthouse was burned-------- With no further comment on the fire, the court arranged to rent Silas Puckett's building for $65.00 to be used as a district courtroom and clerk's office. J.M Green was appointed agent to furnish paper, books, and furniture to equip the office. The county clerk was ordered to transcribe, or have transcribed, the old records of official oaths, bonds, beef tallies, bills of sale, etc., the person performing said task to receive 15c for each and every hundred words transcribed. The original brand register and marriage records are intact. The story is that a hard working clerk took some books home to work after hours and thus saved them from the fire. This courthouse stood from 1859 to 1862. In 1860 the total population was 709.

==As a carpenter W.A. Ham made all the furniture for their home. Today (1993)it is known of a small desk in the possession of Randy Salisbury he had made, which was used by all in the W.A. Ham family. Also in the possession of Randy Salisbury is a desk chair made by George Dallas Ham that George had made to be used with this desk.

) Randy Steven Salisbury
Line) Willie Lee (Ham) Salisbury-Brown Daughter of Herbert Reed Ham
of) ~~Herbert Reed Ham~~ Freida (Ham) Pool
succession) George Dallas Ham
) William Alexander Ham, Sr.

==Wm.A. Ham died 21 Oct. 1893. He had went out to the woods or forrest forest to cut wood for the family use. After 3 days he hadn't returned home so a search party was formed to go look for him. It was afraid * something bad had happened to him ~~that maybe indians had attacked him or took him away.~~ He was found leaning against a tree trunk where he had died of a heart attack. He was brough brought back home and buried at Suggs Cemetery, not far from the family farm.

==The WmA. Ham & Margrett E. Ham Homestead property is located across the Duncan Creek road (an old iron and wood bridge) on a country road. The property is on the Sweetwater Creek. The Ham family had ½ section of land he got from the government and he settled. The original home was made of logs. WmA. Ham's children each received at the time of their marriage or after his death, 40 acres with a house on it. ** 365 acres is a section which means W.A. Ham's ½ section contained 184½ acres. W.A. Ham's home was called the Homestead & his son George D. Ham's home was called the Homeplace. In 1987 this land is now owned by the Walter G. Mazurek family. The original log cabin no longer is standing.

would be a "grant"

* All Indians gone from area by 1875.

** a section is 640 acres
a ½ section is 320 acres

Margrett Emley (Martin) Ham==

==The birth of Margrett Ham is in question. Census reports say she was born in Missouri. Her granddaughters state that their mother, Mary Lorene Ham, wrote in her handwriting that Margrett was born at Nunnan, Georgia.. Willie Lee (Ham) Brown & Maryalice (Ham) Pittman who are researching this family line cannot find Nunnan, Georgia on any map. We believe maybe the town was misspelled and there is a possibility that Mary L. Ham meant Newnan, Coweta County, Georgia which is about 41 miles south and a little west of downtown Alanta, Georgia.

==At the time of Margrett's death she was living with her 3rd to the youngest child, George Dallas Ham & his family at Paducal, Cottle County, Texas. Her body was taken back to Comanche, Texas where she was buried next to her husband Wm.A. Ham at Suggs Cemetery.

Suggs Cemetery is located north from the town of Comanche, Texas; by taking FM 2247 7.4 miles. Turn right on a country road for 7/10's of a mile. Turn right for ½ mile. Cemetery is located in the middle of farm land and is enclosed by a wire fence. Do not ever go to this cemetery after a good rain storm as you could get stuck very easily in the mud roads and field.

Headstone reads==

Margrett E. Ham	W.A. Ham
Wife of W.A. Ham	1 July 1833
6 Sept 1836	21 Oct 1893
1 Jan. 1916	Father
Mother	

Wm. A. Ham
From letter to
Willie Brown from
Fern Kent-Envelope
dated 13 Nov. 1987

Henry Martin and W. A. Ham were 1st settlers at Soda Springs Community near Comanche, where W. A. Ham moved later. William A. Ham cut the first tree for the first Court house in Comanche, when Comanche was first organized. W.A. Ham was 60 yrs old when he died. Historical Bldg. Comanche, Texas. Uncle John Ham, was—

GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
COMANCHE COUNTY
TEXAS

PREPARED BY THE
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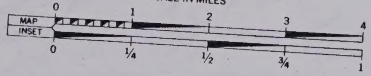
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1980 CENSUS FIGURES

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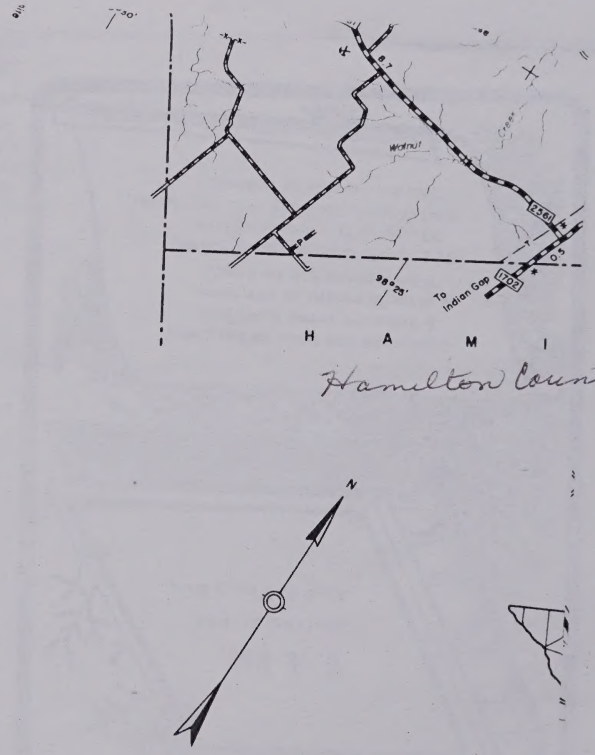
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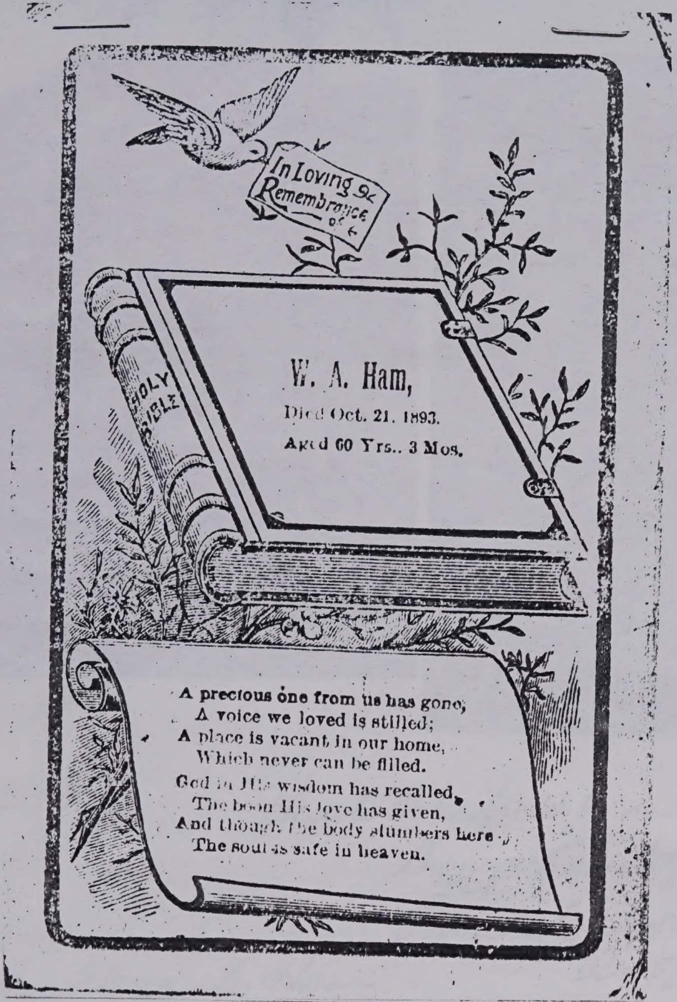

In Loving Remembrance of

W. A. Ham,

Died Oct. 21, 1893.

Aged 60 Yrs., 3 Mos.

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled,
The boon His love has given,
And though the body slumbers here
The soul is safe in heaven.

William Alexander Ham

Buried at Suggs Cemetery

Located from town of Comanche

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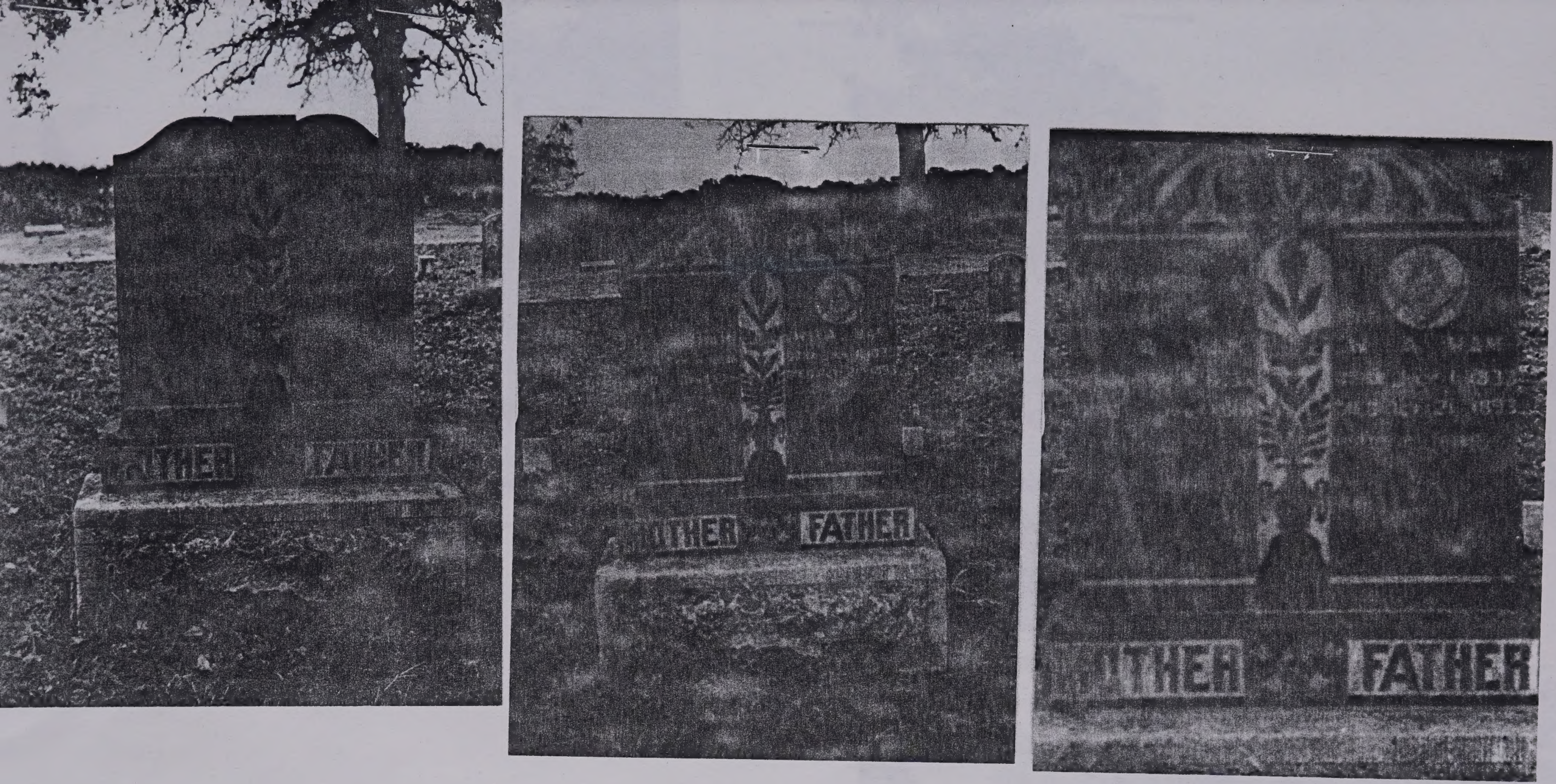

Headstone for W.A. and Margrett E. Ham
Suggs Cemetery
Comanche, Texas
Dec.5,1986

William Alexander Ham
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Died - Oct. 21, 1893

Margrett Emley Ham
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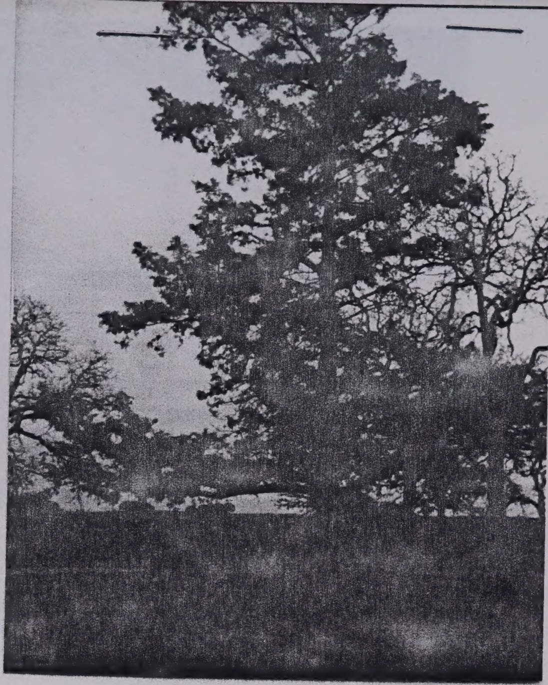
Died - Jan. 1, 1916

↗ Entrance into Suggs Cemetery



Dark headstone by
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Suggs Cemetery
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Original notes taken on visit to Comanche, Comanche County, Texas
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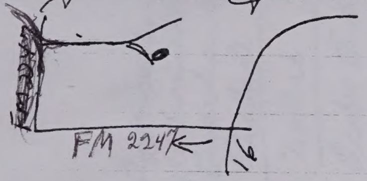

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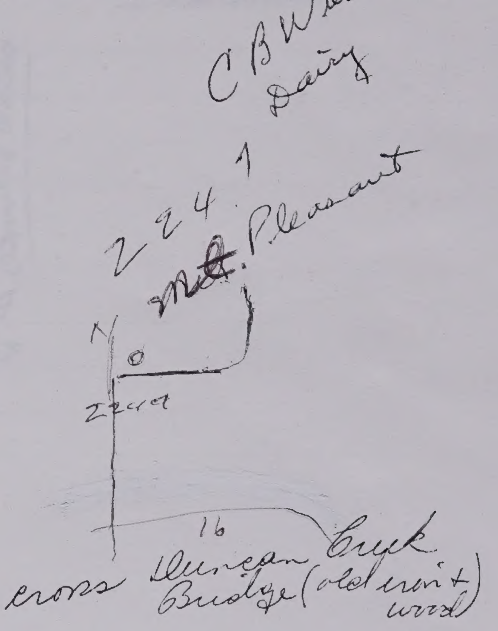
Margrett E. Ham - wife of W. A. Ham
Sept. 6, 1836 - Jan. 1, 1916
Clarence Ham, son of J. H. + A. Z. Ham
April 19, 1891 - June 5, 1891
L. E. Ham - June 11, 1877 - Dec. 14, 1888

William Alexander Ham +
Margrett Emley (Martin) Ham
Homestead property located -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Comanche, Texas

Date	No.	Name of Deceased or Guardian	Administrator Executor or Guardian
Mar. 25, 1915	1103	Mrs. M. E. Ham Non Compos Mentis	J. W. Ham Guardian

Applicat'n for Letters of Administration, Guardianship or Probate	Notice	Order Granting Application	Proof of Will	Will	Probate of Will	Order Appointing Appraisers	Inventory & Appraisement	Order Approving Bond & Inventory	Bonds & Oaths
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Probate Fee Book, County, Texas.

ESTATE OF
Mrs M E Ham
Non Compos Mentis
No. 1103

J. D. Ham
Ex'r, Adm'r (or) Guard'n.

Gerritzen Bros. & Co., Stationers, St. Louis, Mo.

DATE			CLERK'S FEES	AMOUNT		DATE			SHERIFF'S FEES	AMOUNT	
Month	Day	Year		Dolls.	Cts.	Month	Day	Year		Dolls.	Cts.
Mch	25	16	Docketing		10	Mch	25	15	Posting notices	1	00
"	25	15	Issuing notices		75	10	6	16	Jack Cunningham		
			Recording Application		20				Recd of A E Hampton		
			" notice & return		30				$6.82 cost in this case		
			Certified Copy Lunacy Judgment Cottle Co		55				10/6/16 Mary L. Smith		
			Entering order app - Gdn & appr		35				Co Clerk		
			Recording Inventory		50						
			Order approving		15						
			Bond & oath		30						
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			Filing 4 papers		20						
			Taxing cost		25						
				3	80						

JUDGE'S FEES	Dolls.	Cts.	WITNESS FEES
Order app Gdn		50	Recd $2.00
" app Apprs		50	My fee J H McMillan
" app Inv		50	
" " Bond		50	

NOTICE IN PROBATE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Comanche County Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause to be posted in three of the most public places in your county, one of which shall be at the Court House door, and no two in the same city, town or village. copies of the following notice:

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE Estate of Mrs M.E.Ham, a Person of Unsound mind

Know Ye, J.D.Ham

has filed in the County Court of Comanche County, an application for his appointment as Guardian of the estate

Estate of said Mrs M.E.Ham

which will be heard at the next regular term of said Court, beginning on the first Monday in April, 1915, same being the 5th day of said Month

at the Court House thereof in the town of Comanche, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, under penalty of the law, and of this writ make due return.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office at Comanche, Texas, the 25th day of March, 1915

Mary L. Smith

By .... Deputy. Clerk County Court, Comanche County, Tex.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original citation now in my hands

.... Sheriff

By .... Deputy

No. 1103

Estate of Mrs M.E. Ham,
Deceased

NOTICE IN PROBATE

Filed the 25th day
of March 1915

Came to hand the 25th. day
of March 1915, and executed
the 25th. day
of March 1915, by Posting
a true Copy of This Notice at the
Court House Prector and Deleon
each of which is a public place
in Comanche County, Texas.

Fees $1.00

Jack Cunningham
Sheriff Comanche County, Tex.

7-109-110

The State of Texas, * In the County Court of Comanche County, Texas,
County of Comanche. * April Term A. D. 1915.

To the Honorable County Court of said County:

Now comes J.D. Ham, who resides in Comanche, County, Texas, and shows to the Court that Mrs. M.E. Ham is a widow about 78 years of age and of unsound mind and residing in said Comanche County, Texas, but now temporarily on a visit in Cottle County, Texas, and is without any lawful guardian of her estate. That said Mrs. M.E. Ham said person of unsound mind is entitled to an estate, both real and personal which is situated in the County of Comanche, of the probable value of $5000.00 That the husband of said Mrs. M.E. Ham is now deceased and that your applicant is the son of said Mrs. M.E. Ham, and that your applicant is in no way disqualified and is a proper person to act as guardian of the estate of said Mrs. M. E. Ham.

Wherefore he prays that notice of his application be given as required by law and that he be appointed guardian of the estate of said Mrs. M.E. Ham, said person of unsound mind.

A. E. Hampton
atty for applicant
J. D. Ham.

No. 1103

Guardianship of the Estate of
Mrs. M. E. Ham,

J. B. Ham, Guardian.

Application for Guardianship.

FILED March 25 1975
Mary L. Smith
County Clerk Comanche County, Texas
Deputy
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THE STATE OF TEXAS. | IN THE COUNTY COURT.
COUNTY OF COTTLE. |

On this 19th day of May A.D.1915., came on to be heard before W.O.Jones, Judge of the County Court of Cottle County, Texas., A complaint in writing and under oath, charging Mrs Margarett Ham, with being a Lunatic, whereupon came the said Mrs Margarett Ham in person, and also came a jury of Six good and lawful men of Cottle County, hereinafter named, who were duly impanneled and sworn according to law, and having heard the complaint the evidence adduced and the charge of the County Judge, retired to consider of their verdict, in response to the Special Issues submitted, as follows, to-wit;-

THE STATE OF TEXAS.   LUNACY.
VS.   No 72.   County Court Cottle County,
Mrs Margarett Ham.   The 19th day of May A.D.1915.,

The following Special Issues are submitted to the jury in the above entitled cause;

1, Is,. Mrs Margarett Ham The Defendant, of unsound mind?

2, If the Defendant is of undound mind, is if necessary that she should be palced under restraint?

3, If you answer both the foregoing questions in the affirmative, then what is the age and nativity of the Defendant?

4, How many attacks of insantiy has she had, and how long has the present attack existed?

5, Is insanity hereditary in the family of the Defendant, or not?

6, Is the defendant possessed of any estate: If so, of

what does it consist and its estimated value?

7, If the Befendant is possessed of no estate, are there any persons legally liable for her support? If yea, nname them.

W.O.Jones.

(Seal) County Judge Cottle County.

Thereupon the said Jury, after due deliberation had, came and returned into open Court the following verdict and answer to the said Special Issues submitted, to-wit;-

1, Yes.

2, Yes.

3, Seventy Eight. Native of American.,

4, The present attact began about three years ago and has continued almost ever since, worse at times than at others times.,

5, No.

6, Yes, she own 230 acres of land in Comanchie County, Texas, estimated Value $5,000.00.

Signed T.O.Wilkins. M.D
J.W.Harper. M.D.
(SEAL) C.B.Jones. M.D.
J.S.Wilkins. M.D. Jurors.
G.H.Biddy.
R.P.Criswell.

WHEREUPON, it is adjudged, that the said Mrs Margarett Ham, is a Lunatic, and it is ordered by the Court, that she be conveyed to the Lunatic Aslyum, at .... County of .... for restraint and treatment and that the costs of this proceeding be adjudged against Mrs Margarett Ham,

(SEAL) W.O.Jones.
County Judge Cottle County, Texas.,

Attest.

Ethert A.Renfrow.

Clerk County Court Cottle County.,

....

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

COUNTY OF COTTLE.

I,Ethert A.Renfrow, Clerk County Court in and for Cottle County, Texas,Do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Judgment an d Special issues In Lunacy in Cause No 72, the State of Texas. Vs Margarett Ham., as the same appears of record in Vol. Page of the Probate Minutes of Lunacy of Cottle County Texas.

Given Under my hand and seal of office this the 5th day of June A.D.1915.,

Clerk County Court Cottle County Texas.

ENDORSEMENT: No 72, The State of Texas. Vs Mrs Margarett Ham, In the County Court. Judgment and Special issues. In Lunacy. Filed This 19th day of May A,D.1915., Ethert A.Renfrow Clerk County Court Cottle County.

No. 1103. Guardianship of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a Non Compos Mentis. In County Court of Comanche County, Texas, July Term, A. D. 1915.

On this the 6th day of July, A. D. 1915, came om to be heard the application of J. D. Ham for letters of guardianship on the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a non compos mentis; and it appearing to the court that due notice of said application has been given, that the said Mrs. M. E. Ham has been declared a person of unsound mind by a jury empaneled in the County Court of Cottle County, Texas; that said Mrs. M. E. Ham is now temporarily located in said Cottle County, Texas, but that said Mrs. M. E. Ham is a resident citizen of Comanche County, Texas; that a certified copy of the order of the County Court of said Cottle County, Texas, declaring said Mrs. M. E. Ham a person of unsound mind has been filed in this cause and is now on file among the papers herein, that said Mrs. M. E. Ham has no lawful guardian of her estate, and that the said J. D. Ham is qualified to receive letters of guardianship;

It is therefore ordered by the court that the said J. D. Ham be and is hereby appointed guardian of the estate of the said Mrs. M. E. Ham and that letters of guardianship issue to him on his giving bond in the sum of Two thousand & no/100 Dollars, payable and conditioned as required by law, and taking the oath within twenty days.

It is further ordered by the court that W. E. Lowe, R. R. Harvey and Evan Barker be and are hereby appointed appraisers to make due appraisement of said estate, and make due return of same to this court.

J H McMillan
County Judge, Comanche County, Texas.

No 1103

FILED July 6th 18 5
Mary L. Smith
County Clerk Comanche County, Texas

Deputy
7-110-311

The State of Texas, In County Court of Comanche County, Texas.
County of Comanche July Term, A. D. 1915.

Know all men by these presents, that we, J. D. Ham, as principal, and E. G. Thomas and W. E. Nobors ~~and~~, as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto J. H. McMillan, County Judge of the county of Comanche, and his successors in office, in the sum of Two Thousand & no/100 Dollars, conditioned that the above bound J. D. Ham, who has been appointed by the County Court of Comanche County, guardian of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a non compos mentis, will faithfully discharge the duties of guardian of the estate of the said non compos mentis according to law.

Witness our signatures, this 10th day of July, A. D. 1915.

J D Ham
x E. G. Thomas
x W. E. Nabors

Approved this day of July, A. D. 1915.

J H McMillan
County Judge, Comanche County, Texas.

The State of Texas,
County of Comanche,

I, J. D. Ham, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of guardian of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a non compos mentis, according to law.

J D Ham
Guardian.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 10th day of July, A. D. 1915.

Edgar Nabors
Notary Public, Comanche County, Texas.

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Guardianship of Mrs. M. E.
Ham, Non-Compos-Mentis

Decree appointing
Guardian

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1st, 1913 and 1914 respectively and for the principal sum of Three Hundred Eighty and No/100 ($380.00) Dollars each and executed by J.H. Stephenson and being a Vendor's Lien upon a certain tract of land in Comanche County, Texas, and bearing interest at the rate of 10% per annum with interest paid up to January 1st, 1914, and the total principal of said notes being-- -------------------- $760.00.

I, J. D. Ham, guardian of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, do solemnly swear that the inventory and list of claims annexed hereto are a true and perfect inventory and list of all of the property, real and personal, belonging to said estate that has come to my knowledge.

J. D. Ham

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 10th day of July, A.D. 1915.

Edgar Nabors
Notary Public, Comanche County, Texas.

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Bond & Order

FILED July 23" 1925
Mary L. Smith
County Clerk [illegible] County, Texas
By Stanley Deputy

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No. 1103. Guardianship of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a Non Compos Mentis, In County Court of Comanche County, Texas, July Term, A. D. 1915.

And now comes J. D. Ham, guardian of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a non compos mentis, and returns to the court an inventory of all of the property, real and personal, belonging to the estate of his said ward that has come to his knowledge, which he has caused to be appraised. And he also attaches hereto a list of the claims due and to become due to said estate.

INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT.

REAL ESTATE.

One Hundred Sixty (160) acres of land being the William A. Ham Pre-emption; Four (4) acres of land patented to the heirs of B. M. Clopton and Fifty (50) acres off of the south end of a sixty nine (69) acre tract patented to the heirs of B. M. Clopton, and all of said land situated in Comanche County, Texas, appraised at Twenty and No/100 ($20.00) Dollars per acre------------$4280.00.

PERSONAL ESTATE.

NONE.

The State of Texas, §
County of Comanche, §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Evan Barker and R. R. Harvey, who, being by me duly sworn, state on oath that the foregoing is a true and correct appraisement of the property belonging to the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a non compos mentis, according to their best information and belief.

Evan Barker
R R Harvey

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 10th day of July, A. D. 1915.

No. 1103

Guardian of the Estate of
Mrs. M. E. Ham, J. D. Ham,
Guardian.

Inventory and Appraisement and
list of Claims.

FILED July 17" 19[illegible]5
Mary L. Smith
County Clerk Comanche County, Texas
By BC Stailey Deputy

A. E. Hampton
Attorney-at-Law
De Leon, Texas

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Edgar Nabors
Notary Public, Comanche County, Texas.

LIST OF CLAIMS.

Two certain Vendor's Lien notes dated Novamber 6th, 1909, and due January

No. 1103, Guardianship of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a Non Compos Mentis. In County Court of Comanche County, Texas, July Term A. D. 1915.

This the 17 day of July, A. D. 1915, came on to be considered the report of the inventory, appraisement and list of claims of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Ham, a Non Compos Mentis, made by R. R. Harvey and Evan Barker, who have heretofore been appointed by the court to appraise said estate, and the court having examined the same, it is ordered by the court that said report be and it is hereby in all respects approved.

J H McMillan

County Judge of Comanche County, Texas.

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Guardianship of Mrs. M. E. Ham, non-Compos-Mentis

Decree approving Inventory and Appraisement

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Dear Maryalice,
I'm at Duck River Tenn. There is nothing to speak of here. Duck River runs for 81 miles along the River. But this is the postoffice. Wanted you to have this envelope with the post mark

Love
Willie

Knowing William Alexander Ham was born at Duck River, Tennessee this is where Willie (Ham) Brown looked for information (29 April 1987) for his birth. Later in Sept. of 1988 it was discovered by Willie Brown and Maryalice (Ham) Pittman that William A. Ham

DUCK RIVER, TN
1987
APR
29
PM
38454

LOVE
USA 22

Maryalice Pittman
3980 Hamlet
Colo. Spgs., Colorado
80908

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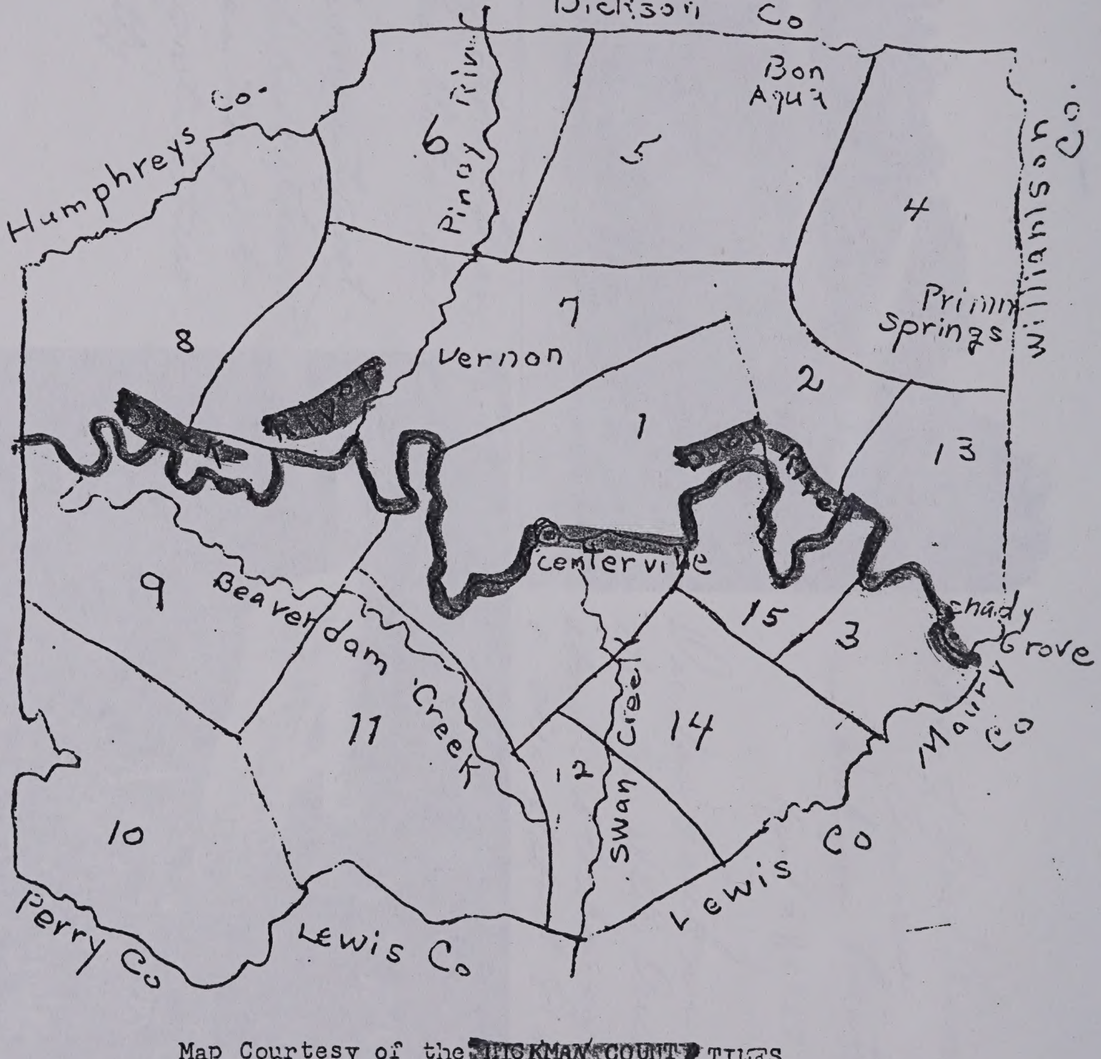
was born near Duck River at Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee

1833 - 1856

Map of HICKMAN COUNTY, TENNESSEE

showing the Civil Districts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8
Vernon
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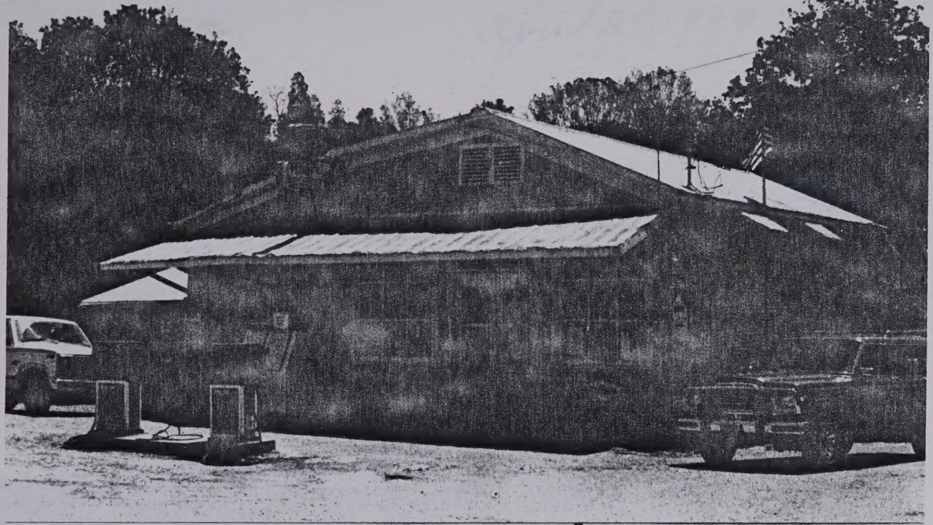
1
13
Duck River
Duck River
Centerville
9
Beaverdam Creek
15
3
Shady Grove
Maury Co
11
14
Swan Creek
12
10
Lewis Co
Perry Co
Lewis Co

Map Courtesy of the HICKMAN COUNTY TIMES
and The Tennessee State Planning Commission

Duck River runs for about 80 miles
in Hickman and Maury Counties



Town of Duck River
Tennessee
in Hickman County
April 29, 1987

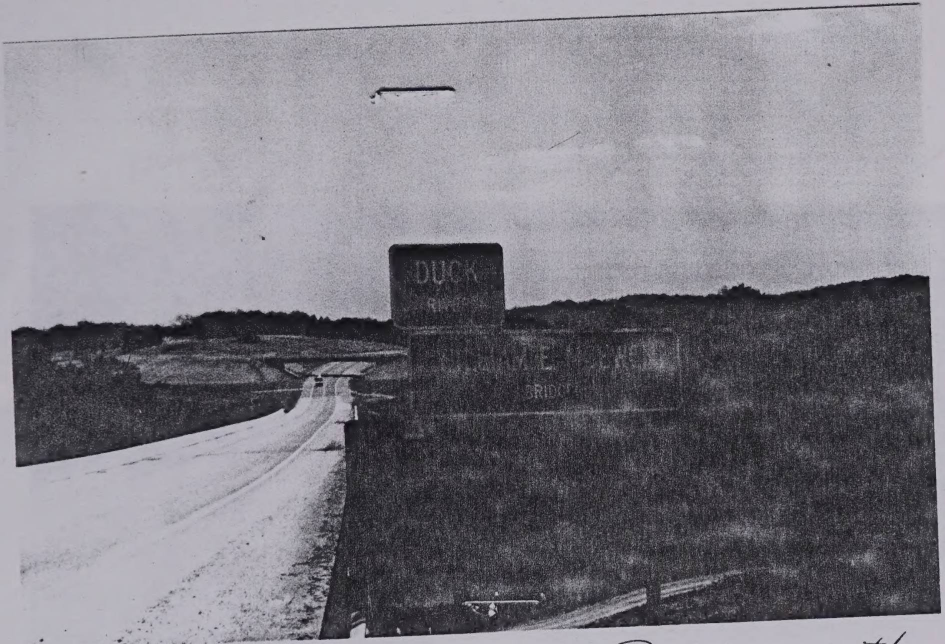
Dunlap Creek runs beside the store w/the Duck River about a block away that covers a area of about 81 miles

↗ Pedan's Grocery Store, Library, Post Office, Gas Station, etc.

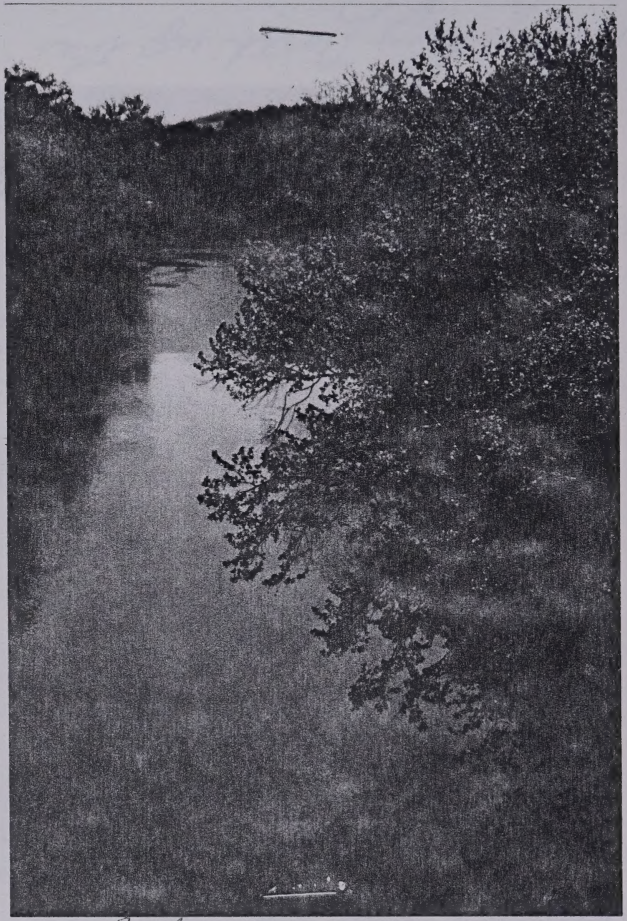
Ben Brown w/ the present post- → mistress of Duck River, Tenn. A Mrs. Baker ran this post-office before this postmistress took over recently.

U.S. POST OFFICE
DUCK RIVER, TENN

Duck River in Hickman County,
Tennessee April 29, 1987

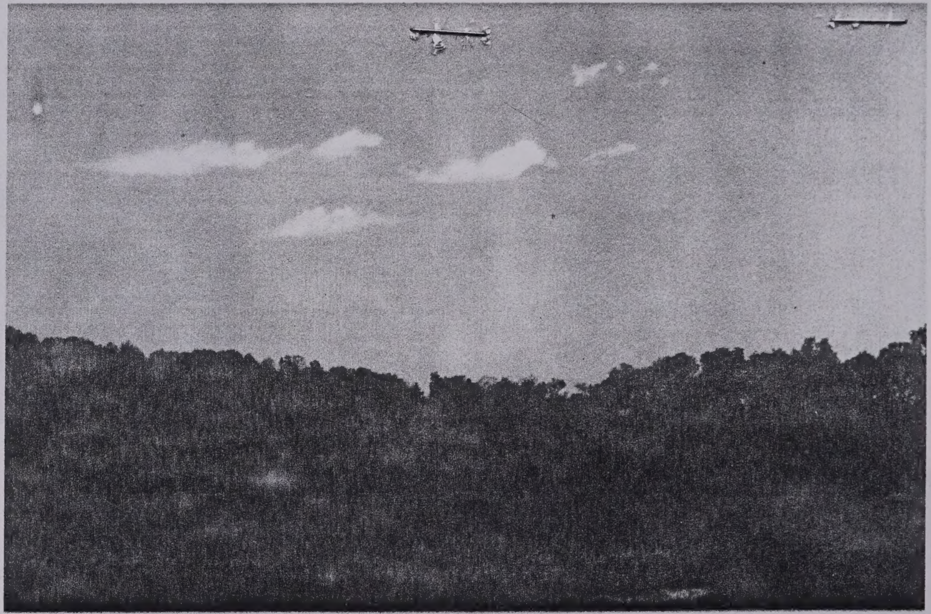


↗ The William E. McEwen Bridge over the
Duck River



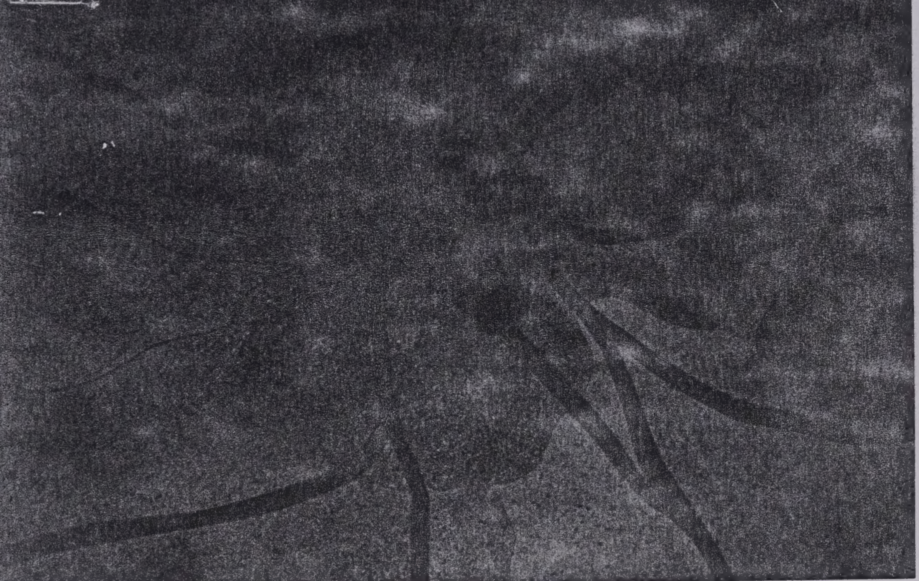
↗ Looking South down the
Duck River

↗ Looking North up the
Duck River

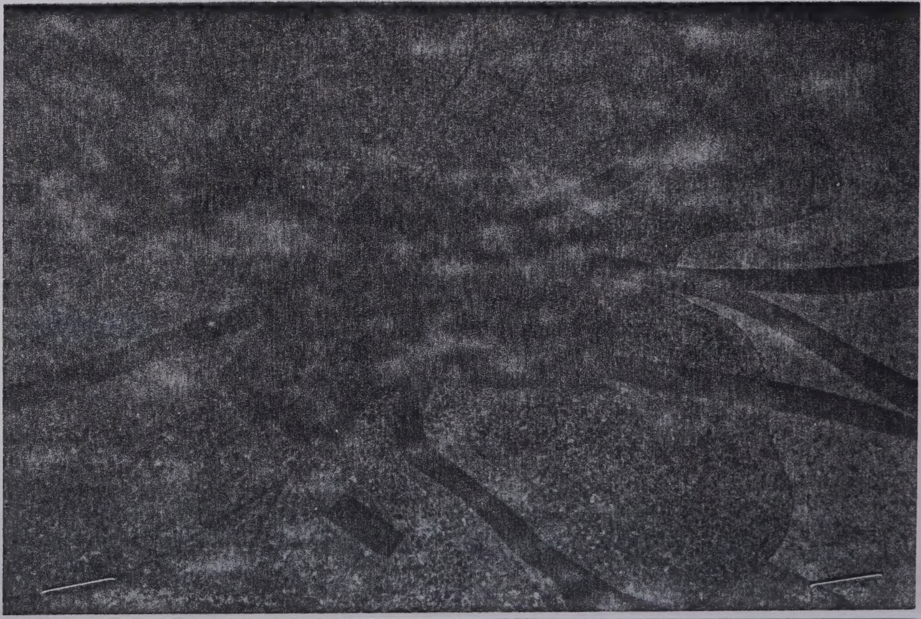


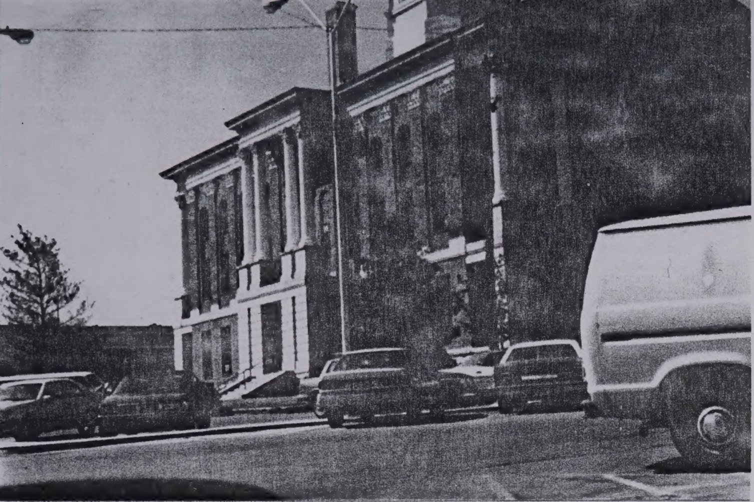
↗ A meadow beside the Duck River
at Duck River, Tennessee

Duck River, Tennessee
April 29, 1987



Map painted on floor of the Bedford County Courthouse at Shelbyville, Tennessee showing how the Duck River flows by Shelbyville. Birthplace of William Alexander Ham.



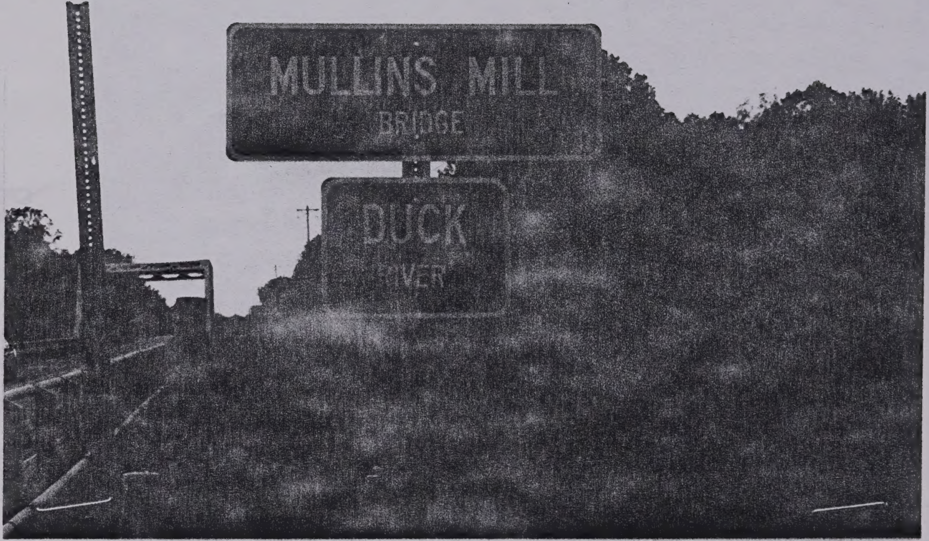


Bedford County Courthouse
seen from Holland and Main Streets
Shelbyville, Tennessee

Sept. 30, 1988

Signs for the -
Mullins Mill Bridge and
Duck River
on Madison Street and
Mullins Mill Street
Shelbyville, Bedford County,
Tennessee

Sept. 30, 1988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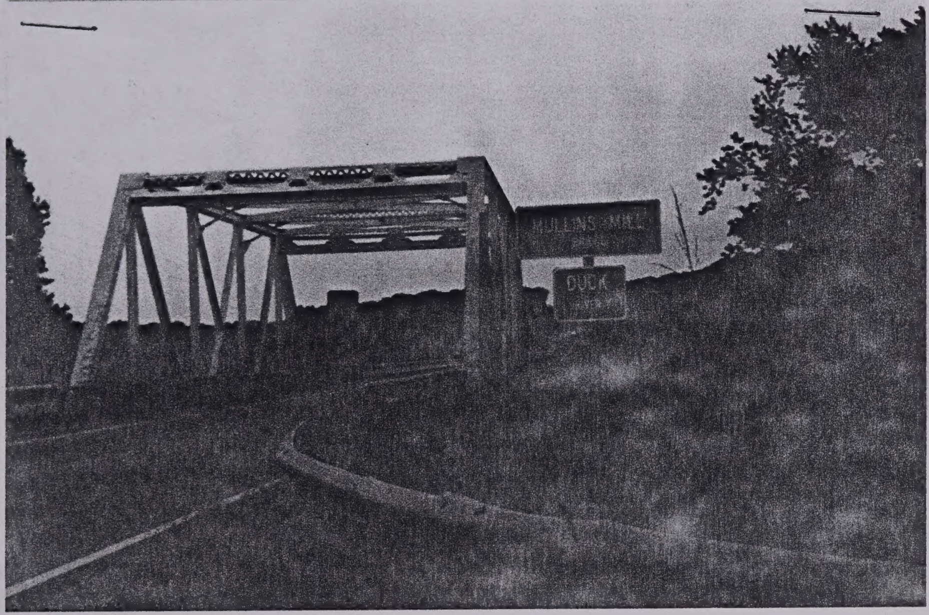

Mullins Mill Bridge over the
Duck River at Madison Street
and Mullins Mill Street
Shelbyville, Bedford County,
Tennessee

Sept. 30, 1988

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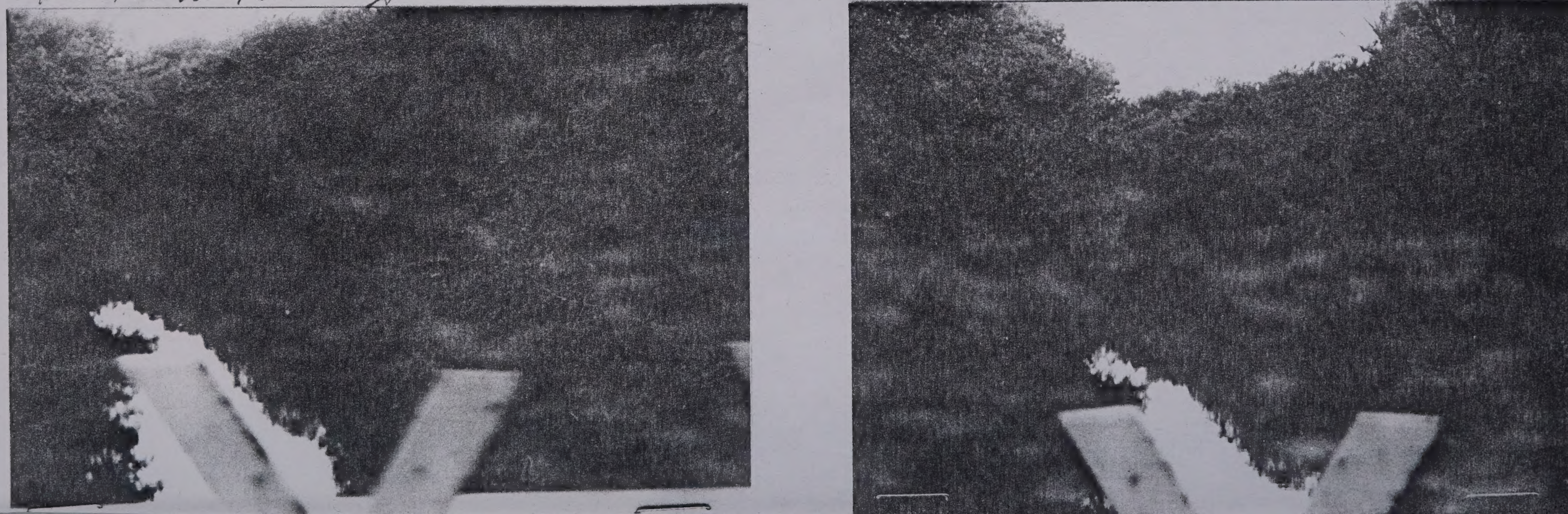
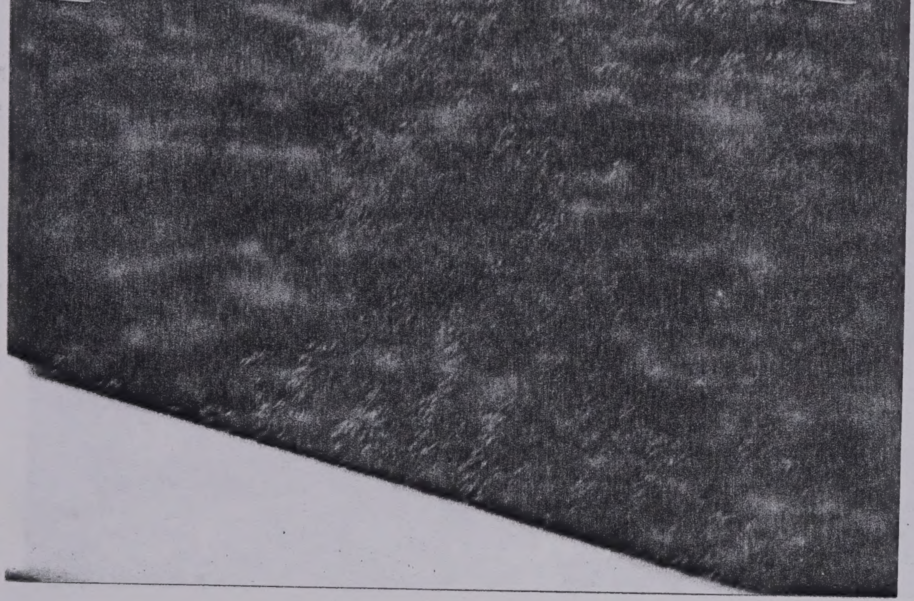
Duck River facing West from the Mullins Mill Bridge, Shelbyville, Tennessee



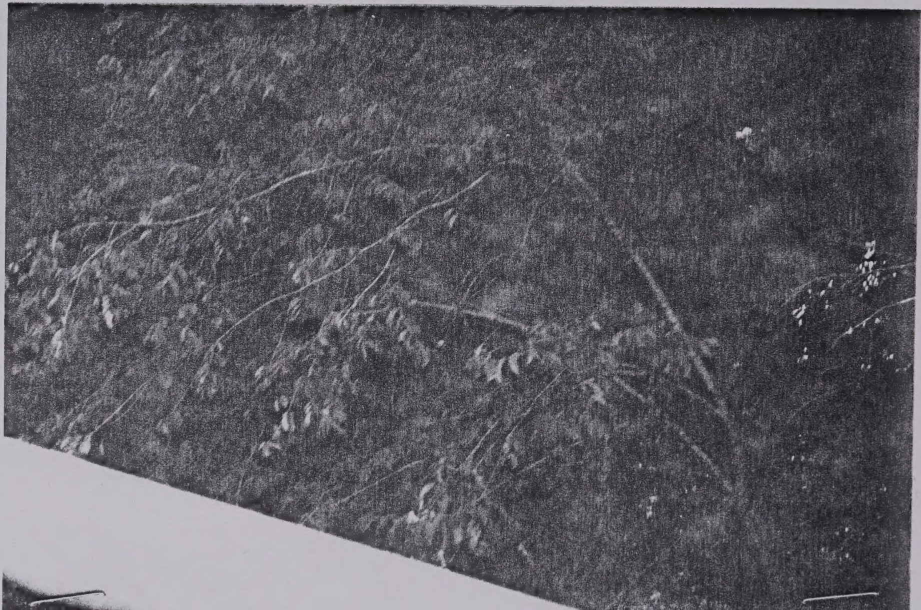


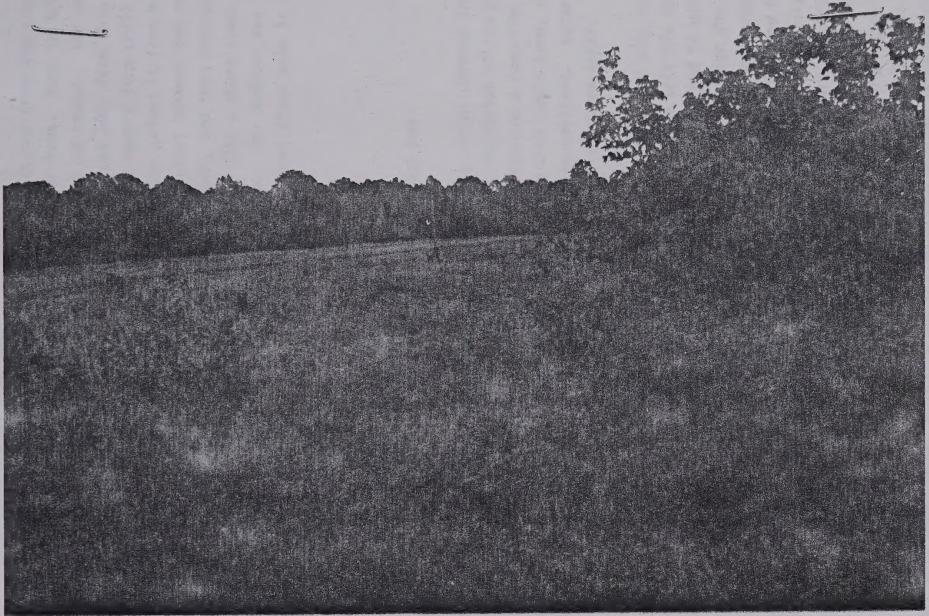
Duck River Facing East from the
Mullins Mill Bridge
Shelbyville, Tennessee
Sept. 30, 1988

Duck River facing East from the
Mullins Mill Bridge
Shelbyville, Tennessee
Sept. 30, 1958

Duck River facing East from the
Mullins Mill Bridge
← Shelbyville, Tennessee
Sept. 30, 1988

Trees & shoreland facing East of the
Duck River →
from the Mullins Mill Bridge
Shelbyville, Tennessee
Sept. 30, 1988





Farm land facing east
on Madison Street next to
the Duck River
Shelbyville, Tennessee

Sept. 30, 1988

Margrett Emely (Martin) Ham

As a young girl, Margrett was sent on an errand quite a distance from where she lived. After completing her assigned duty, she swung back onto her horse and headed for home. Much to her distress, and a long two miles from her destination, she encountered a hungry, mean looking cougar. Not wasting any time, she urged her horse into a run. The horse was as anxious as Margrett to get away from this large brownish-orange wild American cat. However, with the speed this animal possessed it wasn't long until it had gained on the frightened pair. Margrett was wearing her favorite hat, but she yanked it from her head and with all her might she flung it over her shoulder, hoping to put as much distant between her and the beast as she could. To her delight the cougar stopped to sniff her pretty head cover, and then proceeded to rip it to threads. Her hat only detained the creature long enough for Margrett to gain a short lead. Bounding along with his long strides he was rapidly overtaking her for the second time. Her sweater was the next article of distraction. Margrett's quick thinking in discarding her personal items made it possible for her to arrive home safe. The strip tease probably saved her life.

Margrett Emely (Martin) Ham

Margrett married William Alexander Ham, and he moved her to the wilderness in an area now called Comanche, Comanche County, Texas. He chose an area seven or eight miles northeast of the present town. There weren't many neighbors, and stores were many, many miles away. This area was a favorite spot of the Comanche Indians at the time, and they weren't happy to see homesteaders taking over their land, and cutting down their trees. At first the Indians just tired to scare or intimidate the white settlers. Later they would steal the settlers horses, and scatter their stock. The killings came a few years later.

For their own protection the homesteaders made up shopping lists, and only one man would leave the area to go for supplies at a time. On one occasion Bill (William A. Ham) had left his family alone to do the shopping for the whole area. While he was gone Margrett needed water which she had to get from the Sweetwater Creek, a short distance from the log cabin. Gathering up her children she headed for the creek with her water pail. They were strolling along in the bright sunshine, enjoying the outing, when Margrett noticed bright colored feathers in and sticking out of the scrubs along the path. She calmly gathered her children close to her, and continued on to the creek. Filling her pail with water, they started back slowly along the trail to the cabin. As the small group past, the Indians fell in behind them, staying a short distant away. She told the children to go inside and climb onto the bed, and stay there quietly until the Indians had left. Then she turned, facing the Comanche. With sign language they ask for food. Margrett allowed them into her spotless home, and cooked for them. Although, it was the hardest thing she ever did, she held her tongue while she watched them eat with their hands, throwing her prized dishes around, breaking some, and feeding their dirty dogs on her clean floor.

S/B. sticking in and out

Much later, to her relief the Comanche left, without hurting her or the children. However, her disgust at the savages disregard of her home was so great, that she cleaned everything with a passion. The floors were washed with lye, before she would allow herself to rest, and relieve the pressure with tears. Her children remember her as a perfectionist.

William (Bill) Alexander Ham

Bill moved his wife to the wilderness in hopes of building a strong, safe home for his coming family. There weren't any towns in the area, so the settlers formed their own town in Comanche County, which had been created out of Bosque and Coryell Counties. The little community was called Little Cora, and a court house was built by the hands of devoted individuals interested in the progress of their County. Little Cora was located in the Southeast part of Comanche County, on the North bank of the South Leon River, and today it is known as the Pettit community.

Trees in the area were used to build the court house, and the first tree to fall for the building was cut down by the hands of William (Bill) Alexander Ham. Cora served as the County Seat, and three terms of District Court were held in Little Cora. There were trials held for theft and murder. Indictments took place for crimes such as unlawfully playing cards, drinking of alcohol on Sunday, having a pistol on his person,

rudely displaying a pistol in a public place, seriously threatening to take the life of another, disturbing a congregation gathered for religious worship, and etc. The little court house was full of various activities that were taking place, but it stood strong.

When Hamilton was created, part was taken from Comanche County, and that left Cora on the Border of the two Counties. When this happened the County Seat was moved to the center of the county in the new city of Comanche on 18 July 1859. The original log courthouse building stayed in Cora, because for a couple more years the town was important. Soon the business and church all moved to Comanche, leaving Little Cora behind.

Tom W. Mathews family bought all the land around the old courthouse, and converted it into a residence. In 1938, J.R. Eanes wrote to the newspaper, the "Comanche Chief," asking that the old dwelling where J.R. was born, be preserved as a historical building. In 1939 a committee was formed and donations were given. Little Cora was becoming Old Cora by this time. The old courthouse was bought, moved and repaired, and it sat with prestige once more. Visitors stopped in on their way for a picnic at Lake Eanes Park.

From neglect, once more Old Cora's structure was weakening, and in 1963 Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Burks asked if they could move the proud old building to their property in Comanche. The worn and weather-beaten logs were replaced, but the original Old Cora remained untouched. Old Cora was dedicated as a State Historical Building in 1965.

It wasn't until 1983 that the County Commissioners finally appointed a special committee to once more give Old Cora the attention she deserved. The Texas Historical Commission approved the move of Old Cora to the southwest corner of the townsquare, near the Fleming Oak. Old Cora was again restored, and stands proud, for she served the county well from 1856 to 1859.

William (Bill) Alexander Ham

Bill was an active Mason or Freemason, and worked on their projects. The school system of Comanche was establishment in early 1871. The Police Court organized the county into five school districts on January 30, 1871. At the same time the Police Court was acting, Comanche Masonic Lodge No. 316 was also preparing for the education of Comanche's youth, In the spring of 1871 the Lodge purchased ground for the building of a school, and the following spring construction was begun. The building was occupied in the fall of 1872. The first board of trustees, all member of Comanche Lodge No. 316, was composed of J.M. Holmsley, Albert Sowell, P.W. Gravis, Nathan Yarbrough, and James G. Hardin. It was Peter Gravis that was the connecting link between the Masonic Lodge and the county in establishing education in Comanche. (information obtained from "Outside Row" by Rev. Peter W. Gravis.)

1850===

Listed in the Texas Census Index. Editor Ronald Vern Jackson, 19 West South Temple #600, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101.
Shelby County, Texas   w/no township listed
pg. 28   Ham, Joel

Listed in the 1850 Census of Shelby County, Texas #387

Ham, Joel	45	M	W	Farmer	$220.00	S.C.
Nancy	37	F	W			Tenn.
Wm.	17	M	W			Tenn.
John	15	M	W			Tenn.
Mary	13	F	W			Tex.
Edward	11	M	W			Tex.
Isabel	9	F	W			Tex.
Amandy	6	F	W			Tex.
James	4	M	W			Tex.
Gooly Vanrapper	19	M		(probably a hired hand)		Tenn.

Listed in book "Tennesseans in Texas"

Ham, Joel	45	M	Farmer	S.C.
Nancy	37	F		Tenn.
William	17	M	Farmer	Tenn.
John	15	M	Farmer	Tenn.
Mary	13	F		Tex.
Edward	11	M		Tex.
Isabel	9	F		Tex.
Amandy	6	F		Tex.
James	4	M		Tex.
Vanwrapper, Gooley	19	F		Tenn.

1860===

Listed in the 1860 Census of Natchitoches County, Louisiana #1343/1343
w/census taken 22nd Oct. 1860 by F,W, Thomas   Post Office-Natchitoches

Ham, Wm.	26	M	Laborer	$50.00	Tenn
Margerett	23	F			Tenn
Josephine	4	F			Texas
John D.	2	M			Texas

1870===

Listed in book "Blazing The Way, Tales of Comanche County Pioneers". Compiled and published by Mrs. Eulalia Nabers Wells. A 1st Edition, copyrighted 1942, this book was found at the Comanche Public Library, Comanche, Comanche County, Texas. On page 11-
listed among the first settlers in portions of the county other than the settlements at Cora, Mercer's Creek, Mountain Creek and South Leon though no claim is made that the list is at all complete.
Sweetwater: Henry Martin, Jr. and Wm. Ham

Sweetwater Creek was named by the pioneers of the county as the water has a sweet taste.

Listed in the 1870 census of Comanche County, Texas   Post Office-Comanche   Taken Oct. 29, 1870
pg. 23 Dwelling No. 166 Family No. 183

Ham, William	37	M	W	Farmer	Tenn
Margret E.	30	F	W		Missouri
Josephine	15	F	W		Texas
John	13	M	W		Texas
William	9	M	W		Texas
Joel	6	M	W		Texas
Martha J.	1	F	W		Texas

1880===

Listed in the 1880 census of Comanche County, Texas   Post Office-Comanche   Taken June 10th & 11th, /1880.
E.D. #31 Pg. 18 Dwelling No. 152 Family No. 152

Ham, Wm. A	W	M	47	Head	Married	Farmer	Tenn	N.C.	Tenn
Margret E.	W	F	44	wife	Married	Keeps House	Missouri	Georgia	Georgia
John Daniel	W	M	23	son	Single	Farmer	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Wm. A., Jr.	W	M	17	son	Single	Farmer	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Joel Henry	W	M	14	son	Single	Works on farm	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Martha	W	F	11	daug	Single	at home	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Thomas F.	W	M	9	son		at home	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Geo. Dallas	W	M	6	son		at home	Texas	Tenn	Missouri
Luther Edgar	W	M	3	son		at home	Texas	Tenn	Missouri

1900===

Listed in the 1900 census of Comanche County, Texas Precinct #1 Taken 27 June 1900 by W.S. Grow
Dwelling No. 178 Family No. 181
Ham, Marguerite   Head W F Sept. 1836 Widow Missouri So. Carolina Georgia Farmer
Owns farm free and clear farm schedule 165 can't read or write speaks English

1910===

-------Listed in the 1910 census of Comanche County, South part of Justine District, Texas
Dwelling No. 157 Family No. 162

Ham, J.D.	Head	M	W	52	Marr	22yrs			Texas	Tenn	Missouri	Lumberman
Irene	Wife	F	W	42	Marr	22yrs	2	2	Alabama	U.S.	U.S	----------
Otis	Son	M	W	21	Sing				Texas	Texas	Alabama	Assistant
Willie Vei	Daug	F	W	17	Sing				Texas	Texas	Alabama	----------
Ham, Margaret	Mother	F	W	73	Widow				Missouri	So.Car.	Georgia	own income

J.D. & Otis work in a Lumberyard
J.D., Irene. Otis, Willie Vei all read & write. Only Willie Vei attended school since 1 Sep 1909
Margaret does not read or write or attended school.

Voter Registration==Comanche County, Texas Pct. 5

Number	Date	Name	Birthplace	Lived in state	Lived in county	Lived in pct.
139	Nov. 22, 1869	Ham, Wm. A.	Tennessee	30 yrs.	15 Yrs.	4 yrs.

Tax Roll List
1862- Comanche County, Texas lists Wm. A. Ham
1873- Comanche County, Texas lists Wm. Ham w/112 Cattle & 1 horse w/no land

"Tennesseans In Texas" 1850

SHELBY COUNTY, TEXAS

Reddet, Ruthy	23	F		TN
William J.	7	M		MS
Mary C.	4	F		MS
Middleton, D. C.	30	M	Farmer	TN
Frances	30	F		KY
John W.	12	M		TN
James B.	10	M		TN
Mary E.	8	F		TN
Marthy	6	F		TN
Nancy A.	4	F		TN
Drury W. H.	1	M		TX
Barnet, Mary	57	F		VA
Middleton, Nathan	21	M	Farmer	TN
Susanna	21	F		MS
Augustus	1	M		MS
Marthy	63	F		SC
White, William H.	38	M	Meth. Clergyman	TN
Elizabeth	38	F		TN
May, John	53	M	Farmer	MS
Elizabeth	38	F		TN
Dempsy	21	M	Farmer	MS
James S.	17	M	Farmer	MS
Lucy A.	13	F		TX
William H.	9	M		TX
Mary	7	F		TX
Fabre, William	30	M	Farmer	AR
John	18	M	Farmer	MS
Nancy	51	F		TN
Parker, Mary	3	F		TX
Stephen, L. H.	27	M	Farmer	TN
Sary L.	24	F		NC
John H.	2	M		TX
James T.	5/12	M		TX
George H.	22	M		TN
Choat, Joab	21	M	School Teacher	TN
Hay, John	20	M	Waggoner	TN
Freeland, James D.	67	M	Farmer	PA
Nancy	65	F		NC
George W.	27	M	Farmer	TN
Weaver, Joseph N.	21	M	Farmer	TN
Whitten, William E.	27	M	Farmer	GA
Ethelindy	25	F		AL
Sary	7	F		AL
William L.	5	M		AL
Nancy A. E.	3	F		AL
Edward T.	1	M		AL
Weaver, Marthy	23	F		TN
Smith, A. N.	35	M	Farmer	TN
Sary N.	33	F		TN
Ambrose W.	15	M		TN
Harriet	13	F		TN
Amandy	11	F		TN
Margret N.	16	F		TN
James P.	8	M		TN
Neal	6	M		TN
Joseph M.	4	M		TN
Marthy	1	F		TN
Smith, Malcom	29	M	Farmer	TN
Jane	30	F		NC
William P.	4	M		TN
Williams, James B.	27	M	Farmer	TN
Drusilla R.	21	F		TN
Marthy J.	3	F		TN
Williams, C. T.	46	M	Farmer	SC
Elizabeth	44	F		NC
Sary A.	16	F		TN
Clayburn	12	M		TN
Alexander	10	M		TN
Texannas	8	M		MS
Elizabeth	6	F		TX
Misouri	5	F		TX
John D.	1	M		TX
Arnold, Fresueus	26	M	Physician	SC
Cochran, William W.	49	M	Meth. Clergyman	GA
Dove F.	46	F		SC
Freeland, Elizabeth	8	F		TN
McCaddams, James E.	25	M	Farmer	AL
Hannah	22	F		TN
John	2	M		AL
Geton, Hiram	25	M	Farmer	TN
Louisa	22	F		AL
Landon	19	M	Farmer	TN
Floyd, William	40	M	Cabinet Maker	TN
M.	25	F		TN
Joseph	5	M		TN
Reed, Alex. A.	33	M	Black Smith	TN
Louisa	29	F		AR
Sary	9	F		TX
Mary	7	F		TX
Marthy	5	F		TX
John	3	M		TX
Child unnamed	7/12	F		TX
Nybit, Henry C.	29	M	Black Smith	TN
Reed, Richard C.	27	M	Black Smith	TN
Nancy C.	19	F		TN
Sary L.	2	F		TX
Childers, Hiram H.	38	M	Meth. Clergyman	TN
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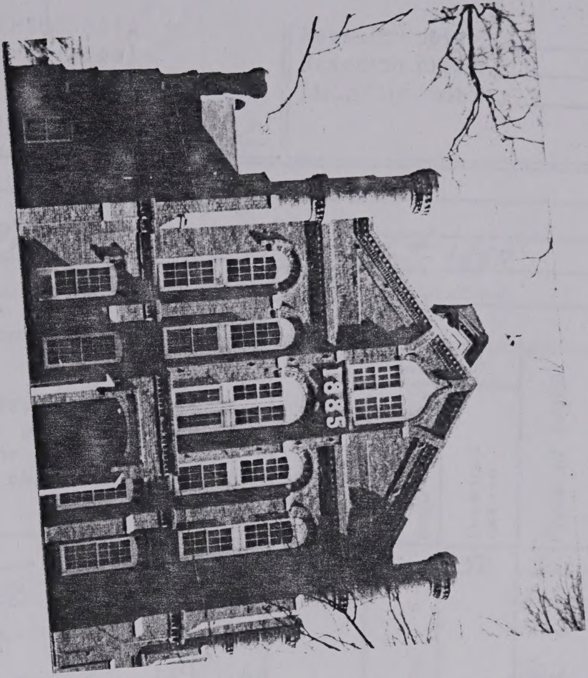

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1860 Census
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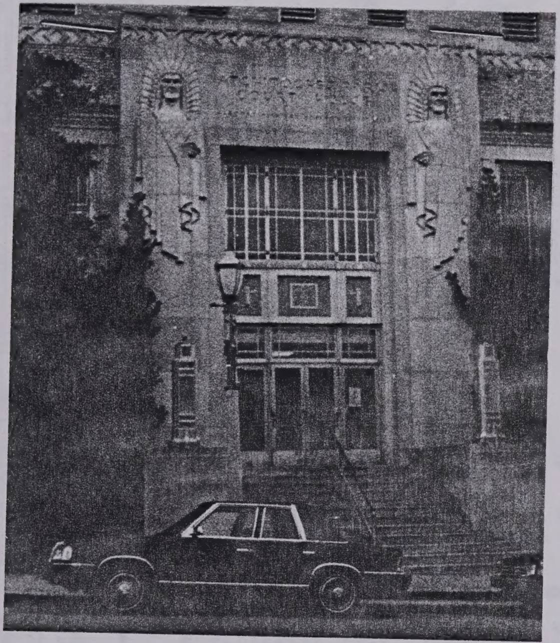

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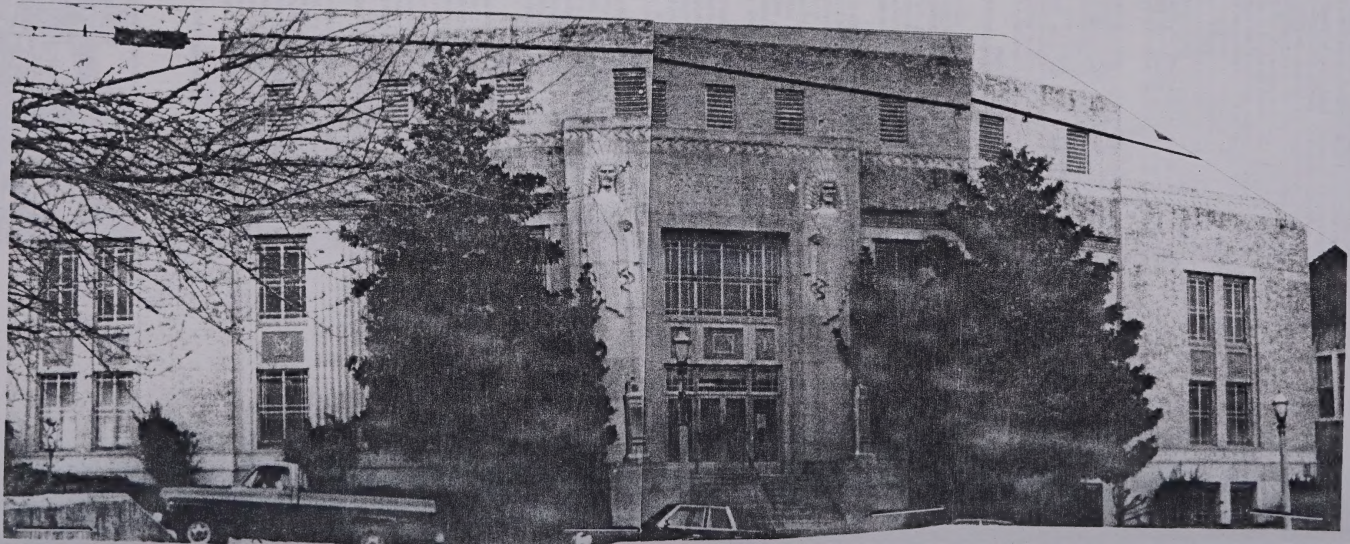
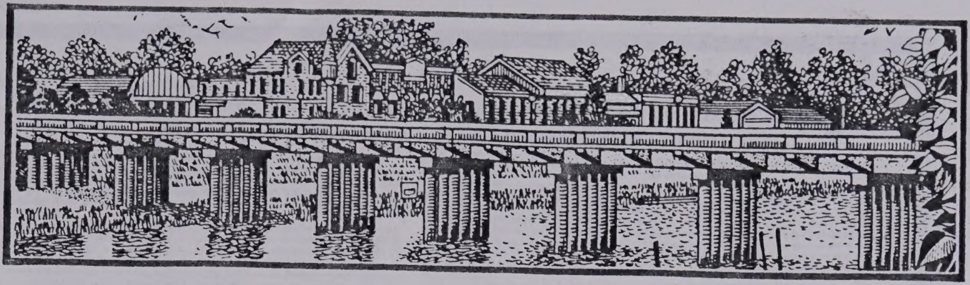
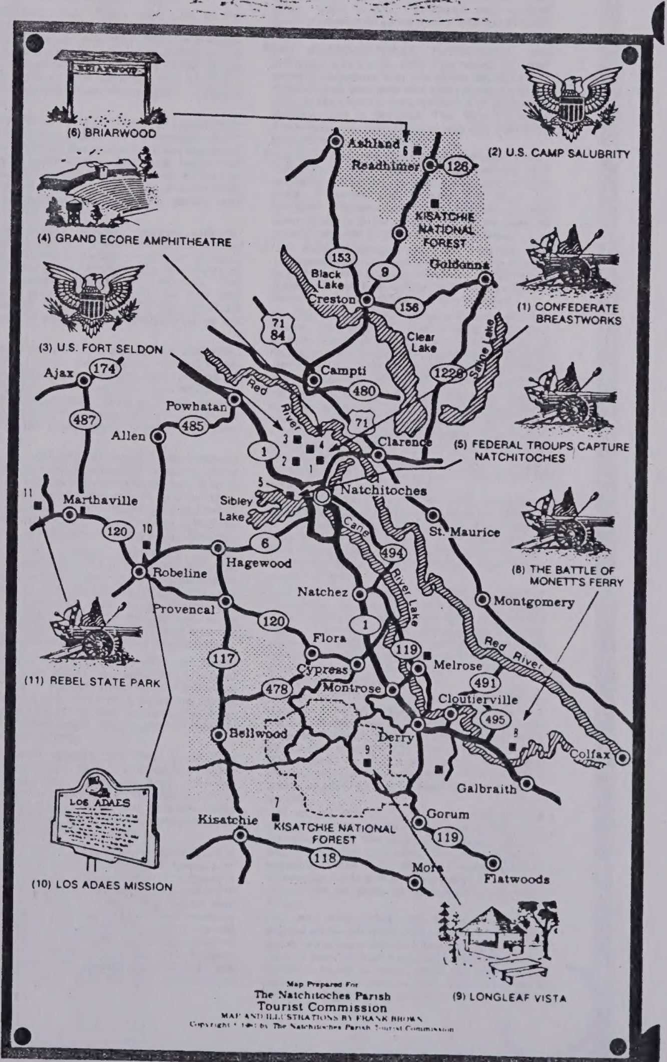




NATCHITOCHES PARISH POINTS OF INTEREST

Begin the AUTO TOUR (see directions and map on right of this sheet) by checking your mileage at the intersection of Highway 1 South and Keyser Avenue. Proceed east on Keyser Avenue, passing the Natchitoches Parish Hospital and continue into Cane River Country. Keyser Avenue becomes Louisiana Highway 494 just beyond the City Limits.
Note: The numbers on the left column alongside the text show the accumulated mileage from the beginning of the tour. The distance between sites is listed in the text. →

- (1) CONFEDERATE BREASTWORKS and Federal Trenches dug in April 1864.
- (2) U.S. CAMP SALUBRITY was established on May 24, 1844, to quarter troops of the U.S. Army which were concentrating and preparing for the coming war with Mexico. Hundreds of troops of the Fourth Infantry were stationed here during the Fort's two-year existence. The young Ulysses S. Grant, later to become President of the United States, was stationed here as an officer. On June 3, 1845, the troops of Camp Salubrity embarked at Grand Ecore en route to Texas. **Site private.**
- (3) U.S. FORT SELDEN was constructed in November of 1820 by companies of the Seventh U.S. Infantry under Lt. Zachary Taylor, who later became the 12th President of the United States. The Fort was named after Joseph Selden, who served as a lieutenant in the Revolutionary War. The troops were stationed here for only two years, but the Fort was important in that it marked a step in the westward advance of the National frontier. It served as a headquarters of a Department of the United States and of General Gains. Fort Selden was abandoned in 1822 and the troops were transferred to Fort Jesup. **Site private.**
- (4) GRAND ECORE AMPHITHEATRE - Each summer, dramas and musicals are staged in this beautiful amphitheatre. The Amphitheatre is surrounded by a montage of Louisiana landscape - trees laden with Spanish moss set against a background of rolling hills and virgin pine timber. Across from the Amphitheatre are the Red River and scenic bluffs. The summer productions, sponsored by Louisiana Outdoor Drama Association, bring thrilling entertainment under the stars.
- (5) FEDERAL TROOPS CAPTURE NATCHITOCHES under the Union General Nathaniel P. Banks. Natchitoches was occupied until Union forces were concentrated to continue the push to capture the Louisiana capital, Shreveport. Natchitoches was spared, but the town of Grand Ecore (four miles north on Red River) was burned. This 21-day occupation ended in April of 1864.
- (6) BRIARWOOD, the Caroline Dormon Nature Preserve, is a 120-acre laboratory of southern flora. There are more than a hundred species of trees, and as many of shrubs. Miss Dormon was a pioneer in conservation education in Louisiana. Her cabin home, trails, a pond, an orchid garden, and a wildlife sanctuary are all features of special interest here. **Open each weekend in April, May & August & the first two weekends in November. Saturday 9:00 A.M. -5:00 P.M., Sunday noon - 5 P.M.**
- (7) KISATCHIE NATIONAL FOREST was established in 1928. The word Kisatchie was an Indian word meaning Long Cane. This National Forest contains 595,000 acres of federally owned land, which is divided into 6 districts, all located in central and north Louisiana. The Kistachie is a producing forest. Its "products" include wood, water, forage, recreation and wildlife habitat.
- (8) THE BATTLE OF MONETT'S FERRY marker tells of the battle fought here in April, 1864.
- (9) LONGLEAF VISTA is a beautiful spot in Kisatchie National Forest which is excellent for a picnic or a hike. Easily seen from the vista area are several mesas, buttes, and sandstone outcrops. The area is beautifully landscaped, with a shelter and stone paths. Picturesque nature trails surround this, one of the highest spots in Louisiana. LONG LEAF TRAIL, the state scenic highway running east and west through Kisatchie National Park, leads through RED DIRT GAME PRESERVE.
- (10) LOS ADAES MISSION was established in 1717 by a group of Spanish soldiers, padres, and settlers. Soon after the mission was established, war broke out between the Spanish and the French. The mission was abandoned as the Spanish retreated to the West in 1721. Father Margil returned to Los Adaes under the protection of the new Governor of Texas Province. The mission was rebuilt, and a hexagon-shaped fort was built. The fort, called the "Presido Nuestra Senora del Pilar de Los Adaes," stood guarding a frontier against the French. This fort served as capital of Spanish Texas for half a century. In 1773, the Spanish King moved the capital to San Antonio de Bexar, and Los Adaes was abandoned. Reconstruction plans for the mission are underway. **Site Parish property.**
- (11) REBEL STATE PARK is the site of the grave of the "Unknown Confederate Soldier." The park is set alone in the woods of Natchitoches Parish. Each year a memorial service is held in honor of the Confederate soldier who died after being cut off from his unit. The unknown soldier was about 20 years old, unarmed and poorly clothed. He was shot by three Yankee soldiers and found moments later by the family of William H. Barnhill. The grave was cared for by this family and their descendants until the park was established.



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Natchitoches, people and history on the move since 1714

The Natchitoches Historic District is a designated National Historic Landmark

NATCHITOCHES . . . Oldest permanent settlement in the Louisiana Purchase Territory

Natchitoches was founded in 1714 by Louis Juchereau de St Denis. The City was located at its present site because of the Red River (now Cane River Lake). The river at one time was blocked by the "Great Raft" log jam, which prohibited navigation to the north. Natchitoches became an important center for trade, but when the river changed its course and left Natchitoches, trade in Natchitoches dwindled.

A great deal of charm can be attributed to the change in the course of the Red River. There has, as a result, been little out-of-character change to the Historic District and surrounding areas. A Historic District Commission now approves all restoration and alteration projects prior to construction. This insures the preservation of the old Historic Natchitoches.

There are several translations of the name Natchitoches (nak-a-tosh). These include "chestnut eaters," "chinquapin eaters," and "pawpaw eaters." The name was derived from the language of the Natchitoches, a tribe of Caddo Indians living along the Red River when St. Denis came here. The City of Natchitoches has been the seat of parish government since it was created.

Natchitoches is also the home for Northwestern State University, a state co-educational institution. NSU houses the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Annual events include the Natchitoches Christmas Festival, which is held on the first Saturday in December. This spectacular event has attracted as many as 150,000 persons to the "City of Lights." The Tour of Historic Homes is held during the second weekend in October, including tours of both the Historic District and the Cane River Country. The second weekend in June, you may view the Melrose Arts and Crafts Festival on the famed Plantation grounds. At Grand Ecore Amphitheatre, each summer, musicals and dramas are presented under the sponsorship of Louisiana Outdoor Drama Association. During the third weekend in July, thousands throng to be a part of the Natchitoches Folk Festival, featuring outstanding folk music, culture, dance, food and crafts.

The Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission (P O Box 411) will be happy to provide you with further information concerning City and Parish activities, events, sites and tours.

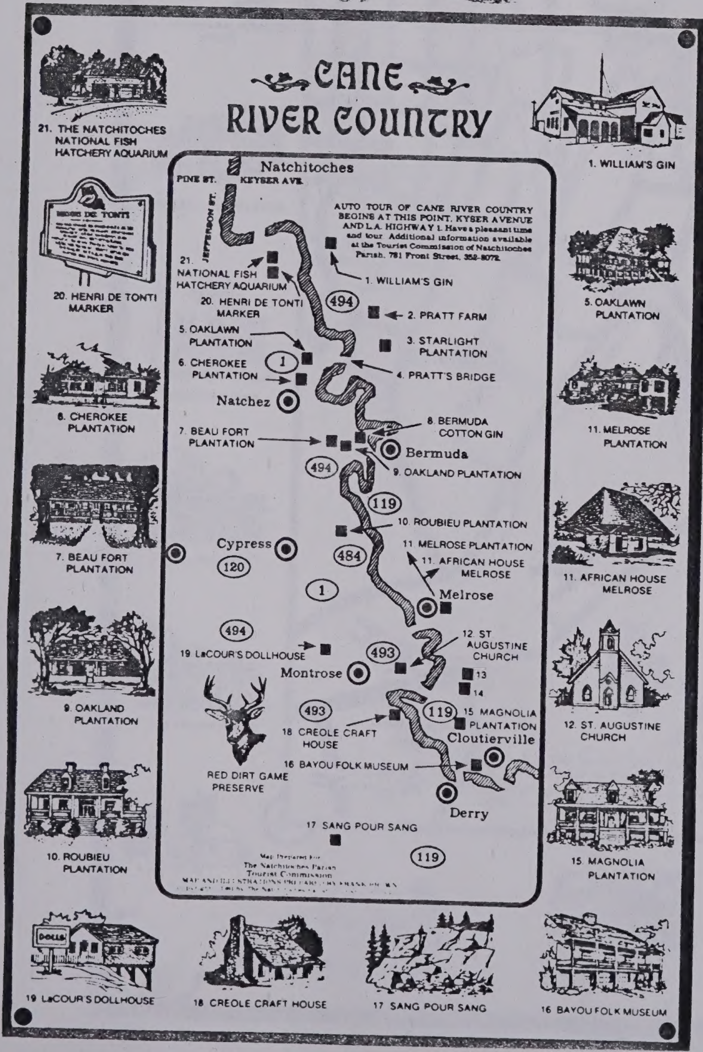
Natchitoches invites you to visit our prosperous community, where "the memory lingers on."

- (1) CANE RIVER LAKE runs through the heart of both city and parish. Cane River was once part of the Red, which changed its course and left the Cane separated from the main body of water. Dams were later built to form the 32 mile-long Cane River Lake.
- (2) RIVERFRONT DRIVE in the heart of the Historic District is the setting for activities related to the famed Natchitoches Christmas Festival. The drive offers a scenic route below Front Street, along Cane River.
- (3) ROQUE (rock) HOUSE, riverfront, Historic District. Built in the 1790's as a residence on Isle Brevelle, it was moved and restored in the late 1960's. Constructed in French Colonial fashion with hand-hewn cypress and "bousillage" fill.
- (4) TOURIST COMMISSION AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE office, corner of Front and Lafayette Streets. A well-landscaped circular drive featuring a three-tiered fountain is near the building. Tourist and visitor information is available.
- (5) EL CAMINO REAL MARKER and FOUNTAIN. The El Camino Real, the "King's Highway," passed through Natchitoches at this location. The trail came from Natchez, Mississippi, and extended to San Antonio, Texas, and beyond. In the early nineteenth century it was the chief route for people "going west."
- (6) THE MAGNOLIAS, 902 Washington Street. The historic house was built in 1806. Legend says General Dick Taylor had his command post here during the Red River Campaign of the Civil War. The four magnolia trees in front, planted in 1836, are accountable for the name of the house. **Private.**
- (7) FORT CLAIBORNE GUESTHOUSE, 801 Second Street. This house is a typical Louisiana two-and-a-half-story raised cottage of hand-hewn timbers and bousillage construction. Built c. 1820 on the site of the original Fort Claiborne, the house is listed in the National Register of Historical Places.
- (8) FORT CLAIBORNE MARKER, 740 Second Street (commerical site). This fort, established in early 1804, was named after William C. C. Claiborne, Governor of the Louisiana Territory. This fort was significant during the war of 1812-1815, and was garrisoned continuously until May, 1822.
- (9) OLD COURTHOUSE, corner of Church and Second Streets. This is the second building to stand on this site, and was built in 1896. A spiral staircase leads to the clock tower which is covered with copper sheeting. Major restoration has made this building one of our finest.
- (10) IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH, corner of Church and Second Streets. Begun in 1856 and not completed until the 1880's, this is a rare example of Old World architecture. The building contains the graves of former bishops near the altar; and a spiral staircase with no center support.
- (11) CATHOLIC RECTORY, across street from Church. This wooden building, a gift to the third bishop of Natchitoches from a friend in New Orleans, was in 1885 dismantled, moved to Natchitoches by river boats on the Red River, and reassembled. **Private.**
- (12) OLD SEMINARY: BISHOP MARTIN MUSEUM (east of Rectory). Built of brick in 1853 and restored in 1980. The Museum is the depository for early records dating from 1724, and for church artifacts, including a silver bell dated 1836.
- (13) ANTEBELLUM BISHOPRIC (adjoining Trudeau Street). This was built by parishioners for Bishop Martin, with typical first story of brick and second of wood. **Private.**
- (14) CUNNINGHAM LAW OFFICES, 550 Second Street. Built in 1860, this finely constructed building still stands as an example of the fine craftsmanship of its time. Five generations of lawyers have occupied this building which is now an insurance agency. The offices boast period furnishings and fixtures.
- (15) TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, at Second and Trudeau Streets. This building was begun in 1857, but its completion was interrupted by the Civil War. The cornerstone was laid by the Confederacy's "Fighting Bishop," General Leonidas Polk.
- (16) CHAPLIN HOUSE, 434 Second Street, is a fine example of Victorian architecture and was built in 1892 by Thomas Percy Chaplin. This charming residence was constructed for his wife, Marie Lisa (Loutie) Breazeale. Restored. **Private.**
- (17) CHAMARD HOUSE, 120 Amulet Street, is believed to have been built in the mid 1700's. In the 1890's, this was the home of Col. W. H. Jack, one of north Louisiana's foremost judges. The house has been restored by the present owners. **Private.**
- (18) CITY HALL, 314 Amulet Street. This building of Spanish architecture, originally a depot owned by the Louisiana & Northwest Railroad Company, was purchased in 1923 by the City of Natchitoches for the City Hall. The interior has recently been redecorated.
- (19) AMERICAN CEMETERY, corner of Demeziere (de maze yair) and Second Streets. Many lost graves of the 1700's are here, and also marked tombs dating back to the 1790's. Among important figures buried here is Emanuela de St. Denis, widow of the founder of Natchitoches.
- (20) NORMAL HILL. The oldest part of the Northwestern State University campus, noted for its natural beauty and historically significant buildings, was placed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1980. Near the center of the property are three huge white columns, which are the only remaining traces of once glorious Bullard Mansion.
- (21) CENTER FOR THE HISTORY OF LOUISIANA EDUCATION. Located on the Northwestern State University campus, this museum traces Louisiana's educational history more than two and a half centuries. On Normal Hill stands one of the few surviving one-room schoolhouses in Louisiana, which was built at the turn of the century and donated to the Center.
- (22) LOUISIANA ROOM, Watson Library, Northwestern campus. These archives contain the Cammie G. Henry Collection, in addition to many old books and papers pertaining to the history of the city, parish, district and university. The Williamson Museum, located in the Arts and Sciences (J. S. Kyzar) Building, contains collections of archaeological importance to the area.
- (23) COLONIAL GATEWAY CORRAL MARKER, NSU campus. This area was first sighted by St. Denis and Bienville in 1700, and later became St. Denis' "vacherie," or ranch. Here three paths met. From the Spanish West came cattle and horses; eastward were his home and the route of flatboats to New Orleans; a road wound north to Fort St. Jean Baptiste.
- (24) ACKEL - DRANGUET HOUSE, 146 Jefferson Street. Built in 1820, it is believed to be the oldest brick house still standing in Natchitoches. Built of handmade brick and timbers hewn by slave labor, the structure has its original floors, glass and cellar. It has served as a steamboat warehouse, a store, an apothecary, private school, and a home. **Private.**
- (25) FORT ST. JEAN BAPTISTE STATE COMMEMORATIVE AREA (1715-1737), Jefferson Street and riverfront. A fort was built by the French and their Indian allies to serve as a bulwark against the territorial-minded Spanish, as a safeguard against marauding bands of Indians, and as an outpost of the French Empire. Replication is across the footbridge from Jefferson. **Open - see schedule.**
- (26) STEAMBOAT HOUSE, 200 Jefferson Street, was constructed around the early 1850's. Legend holds that this massive structure of hand-hewn timbers was built in part from a steamboat, which had run aground in the then navigable Red River (now Cane River Lake). The house has recently been restored. **Private.**
- (27) LAUREATE HOUSE, 225 Poete Street. This house, constructed c. 1840, is a typical townhouse of the period with its square brick columns, fanlighted doorway, and cellar. This house is a fine example of the simple, yet elegant, style of building that was well suited to the thriving frontier town of Natchitoches in the 1840's. **Private.**
- (28) LEMEE HOUSE, 310 Jefferson Street. Built in the 1830's, this home has one of the first cellars ever built in Natchitoches. The rear roof of the house is built in a "cradle" design, which can be found in the Mediterranean area. In 1849, the house was purchased to be used as a bank. The house is owned by the City of Natchitoches and maintained by the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches. The patio with fountain is open. **Open by appointment. Headquarters for Fall Tour of Historic Homes, held the 2nd weekend in October.**
- (29) TAYLOR HOUSE, 320 Jefferson Street. The unusual round brick columns and fan doorway of this house were preserved from the Old Dupleix House which once stood on this lot near the sidewalk. It is said that the brick columns were built by slave labor from the mud on the premises. **Private.**
- (30) BAYOU AMULET. The "Great Raft" log jam, which determined the site of the Natchitoches Post in 1714, and destined the city to become a thriving river port at the head of navigation on the Red River (now Cane River Lake), once ended near this location.
- (31) LEVY HOUSE, 328 Jefferson Street. This house was built in the early 1830's as a one-story office building. The second story was added before the Civil War. Here a French doctor practiced for 20 years, until it was discovered his medical certificates were forgeries and he was ridden out of town on a rail. **Private.**
- (32) BUARD-METOYER TOWNHOUSE, 366 Jefferson, was built c. 1850. This house, of Greek revival architecture, was one of the few houses in Natchitoches with both first and second stories of brick. It has been a private residence, an apartment building and a hospital. The Buard-Metoyer Townhouse has been restored and refurnished by the present owners. **Private.**
- (33) TANTE HUPPE HOUSE, 424 Jefferson Street. This historic "townhouse" was built between 1827 and 1835, and still has many of the original panes of glass, draperies, and carpets. The house is furnished completely with period antiques. The old slave quarters at the rear of the house have an unusual wooden winding staircase. **Private.**
- (34) PRUDHOMME-ROUQUIER HOUSE, 436 Jefferson Street. This house is said to be one of the largest bousillage (mud) structures in the United States and was built before 1800. Owned by the Natchitoches Service League, it is restored.
- (35) HISTORIC MARKER, corner of Church and Front Streets. The legendary tomb of St. Denis, who in 1714 founded Natchitoches. He was a gallant soldier of France, explorer of Louisiana, peacemaker and trader with the Indians. He was the Commandant of the Poste des Natchitoches from 1720 to 1744, when he died.
- (36) SPIRAL STAIRCASE, located at the rear of the Hughes Building on the corner of Front and Horn Streets. The iron staircase, unique in design and inestimable in value, has been of particular interest to artists and tourists alike. The ironwork was shipped from France on a chartered vessel, and loaded on steamboats to be transported up the Red River to Grand Ecore in 1853.
- (37) DUCOURNAU SQUARE. This restoration includes the old Ducournau Building, constructed c. 1830, and the LaCoste Building, constructed in 1870. Both include unusual carriageways running from Front Street to the courtyards in the rear. Ducournau Square now houses a variety of shops at ground level.
- (38) CLOUTIER TOWNHOUSE. It is located in Ducournau Square, in a building constructed between 1820 and 1847 on a portion of an 1818 land grant. Old wood, family antiques and a core stairway leading to third-floor bedrooms are special features. A long gallery adorned with iron lace overlooks Cane River in downtown Natchitoches. **Private.**
- (39) BRICK STREET. The old bricks on Front Street were laid in the early 1900's. Prior to this time there were dirt streets and sidewalks. On several occasions since, various state and city officials wanted to cover the bricks with asphalt, but members of the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches seriously objected. Thanks to their efforts we retain the quaint charm this street adds to our city.
- (40) WELLS HOUSE, 607 Williams Avenue. This house, made of hand-hewn timbers and bousillage, was built c. 1776. The house is completely restored and has all period furnishings. This unique structure is said to be one of the oldest still standing in the Mississippi Valley area, and originally was used as a way station for goods being shipped to the West. **Private.**
- (41) WILLIAMS HOME, 905 Williams Avenue, is located on the site of a former race track. Although not so old as many homes in Natchitoches, it is well worth a peek through the hedge of magnolia trees which surround its many gables and turrets. The house features an unusual color, which attracts the attention of both visitor and local citizen. **Private.**

AUTO TOUR OF CANE RIVER COUNTRY

SEE SEPARATE SCHEDULE OF DAYS, HOURS & RATES FOR ATTRACTIONS

- **2.1 miles** (1) WILLIAMS' COTTON GIN - located on Cedar Grove Plantation. **Private.**
- **4.9 miles** (2) 2.8 miles to PRATT FARMS, which produce cotton and soybeans. **Private.**
- **5.8 miles** (3) .9 miles to STARLIGHT PLANTATION, with a south property line surveyed and established in 1745. **Private.**
- **6.7 miles** (4) .9 miles to PRATT'S BRIDGE.
- **7.4 miles** (5) .7 miles to OAKLAWN PLANTATION HOUSE, which was built in 1840. The house is constructed in the raised-cottage fashion, of brick, cypress beams, and bousillage walls. (Bousillage is a mixture of mud, Spanish moss, and animal hair.) This plantation served as a portion of the setting for the movie "The Horse Soldiers," which starred John Wayne. **Open - see schedule.**
- **7.8 miles** (6) .4 miles to CHEROKEE PLANTATION HOUSE, which dates back to some years before 1839 and is named for the Cherokee roses adorning the front yard. The savannah back of this plantation was the scene of the famous Bossier-Gaiennie duel, which took place in 1839. The house is built in raised-cottage fashion and is of cypress and bousillage construction. Six fireplaces and tall folding doors add to the character of the house. The original cabins and stables are here. This house is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. **Private.**
- **10.2 miles** (7) 2.4 miles to BEAU FORT PLANTATION HOUSE, which dates c. 1790. This house is built of cypress and bousillage, and features an 84-foot gallery across the front. Magnificent gardens enhance the main yard. The interior architecture is unusual in that there is not a single wall that goes all the way from front to back, or from end to end. Each plantation home had a special "Stranger's Room," which was closed from the rest of the house. When Beau Fort was remodeled, a door was cut from the stranger's room to the study, smaller than the other doors in the house because of the old studding. Beau Fort was willed by Mrs. C. Vernon Cloutier to the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches. The house is furnished with beautiful antique furniture. **Open - see schedule.**
- **10.4 miles** (8) .2 miles to BERMUDA COTTON GIN. **Private.**
- **11.0 miles** (9) .6 miles to OAKLAND PLANTATION HOUSE, which was constructed in 1818. A 10-foot wide gallery, plus cypress and bousillage walls, adorns the exterior of the house. A private museum, which is housed in the lower floor, features a collection of early plantation tools and memorabilia. The builder of Oakland was the first to produce cotton commercially. This plantation served as a major setting for the filming of the Civil War movie entitled "The Horse Soldiers." The house is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. **Private.**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KEYSER AVE.
JEFFERSON ST.
21. NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY AQUARIUM
20. HENRI DE TONTI MARKER
1. WILLIAM'S GIN
2. PRATT FARM
3. STARLIGHT PLANTATION
4. PRATT'S BRIDGE
5. OAKLAWN PLANTATION
6. CHEROKEE PLANTATION
Natchez
7. BEAU FORT PLANTATION
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11. MELROSE PLANTATION
11. AFRICAN HOUSE MELROSE
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12. ST AUGUSTINE CHURCH
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19. LaCOUR'S DOLLHOUSE
Montrose
15. MAGNOLIA PLANTATION
Cloutierville
18. CREOLE CRAFT HOUSE
16. BAYOU FOLK MUSEUM
RED DIRT GAME PRESERVE
Derry
17. SANG POUR SANG
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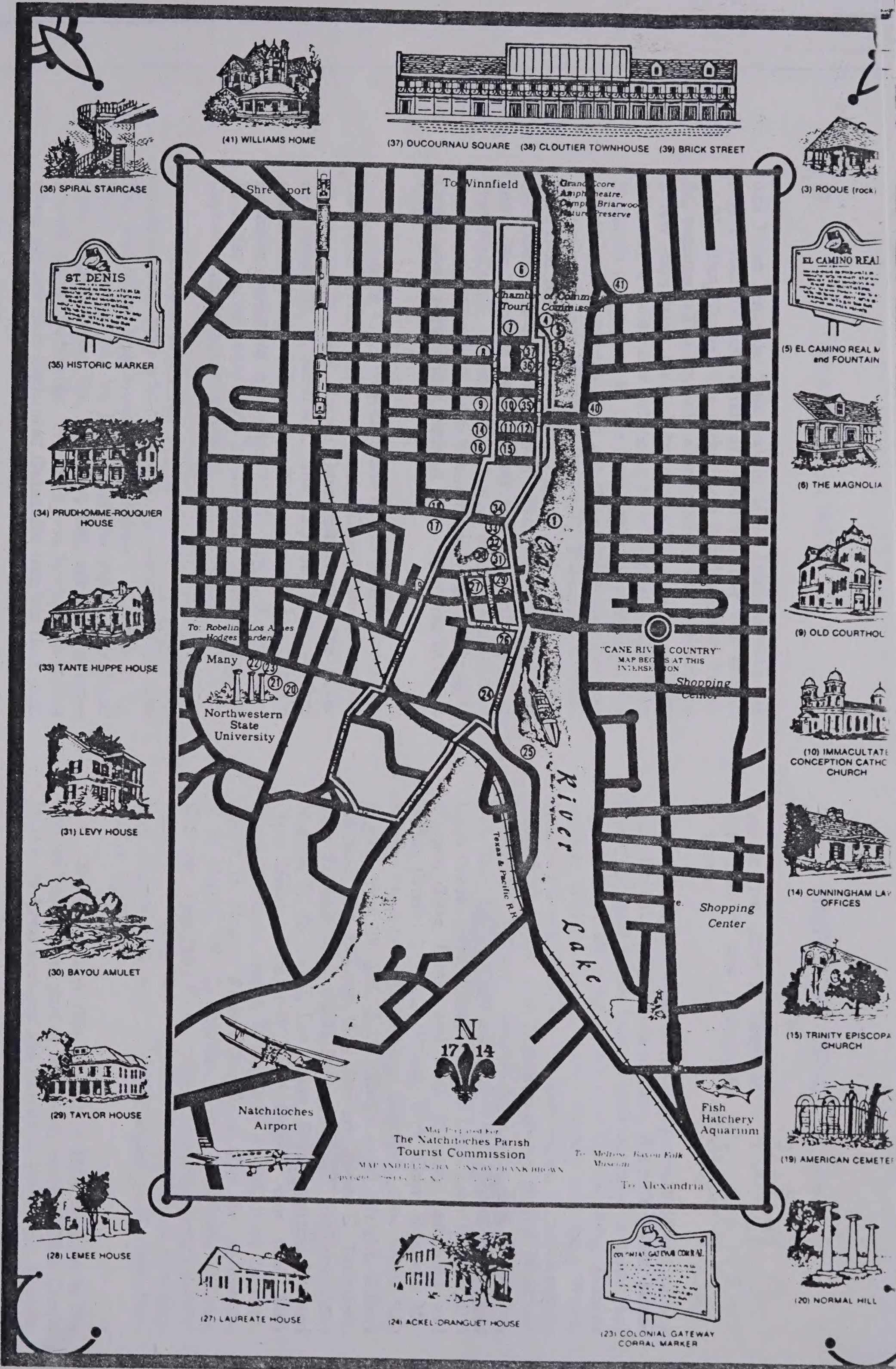
DOLLS

AUTO TOUR OF CANE RIVER COUNTRY BEGINS AT THIS POINT, KYSER AVENUE AND LA. HIGHWAY 1. Have a pleasant time and tour. Additional information available at the Tourist Commission of Natchitoches Parish, 781 Front Street, 352-8072.

- **13.6 miles** (10) 2.6 miles to the ROUBIEU PLANTATION HOUSE, which was constructed c 1830. The bottom story of the house is hand-made brick and the upper story is cypress. **Private.**
- **18.2 miles** (11) 4.6 miles to MELROSE PLANTATION (you will cross Cane River to Melrose, then double back across the same bridge afterwards). Melrose is a unique complex of nine buildings which date back to c. 1796. Melrose is rich in history and legends of courage and creativity. The African House, located at the back of the complex, has been called the only Congo-like architecture on the North American continent. The original colonial residence, called Yucca House, was built c. 1796. Other buildings include the Big House, the Bindery, Ghana House, Writer's Cabin, the Weaving House, the Barn, and the cabin home of Clementine Hunter. The plantation is in the National Register of Historic Places, and has been designated a National Historic Landmark. Melrose was the home of famous writers and artists including Lyle Saxon, Francois Mignon and Clementine Hunter. **Open - see schedule.**
- **18.4 miles** (12) .2 miles to ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH, which was built by free persons of color in c. 1806. The grounds contain the many graves and tombs of the proud Cane River settlers. **Open daily.**
- **21.9 miles** (13) 3.5 miles to one of the earthen dams which make Cane River a lake.
- **22.8 miles** (14) .9 miles to the intersection of Highways 484 & 119.
  1.5 miles north (left) of this intersection is the LAKEVIEW PLANTATION, which features one of the most beautiful views of Cane River Lake.
- **24.4 miles** (15) 1.6 miles south of the intersection is MAGNOLIA PLANTATION. The main house was built in 1868 on the foundation of a house which was burned during the Civil War by the Union troops of General Banks. The one-and-a-half-story house is almost hidden by the avenue of Magnolias and Live Oaks. The large house to the right was the overseer's. Notice the pigeonnier (pigeon house), blacksmith's shop, and the original plantation store in the front yard. A short distance from the store are eight original slave cabins made of brick. The only cotton press in the United States which is still in its original location is housed in a barn on the plantation. (The press was used prior to the invention of the cotton gin.) **Private.**
- **24.7 miles** (16) BAYOU FOLK MUSEUM (.3 miles on the left after crossing the Cane River Bridge). The house, built in the early 1800's, is an authentic restoration of the home of authoress Kate Chopin - dedicated to the preservation of the history of the Cane River Country. The Louisiana raised-cottage home was built of hand-hewn cypress, slave-made brick, and bousillage. The Museum contains many mementos of life in the Cane River Country which was made famous by Kate Chopin in her book of short stories entitled "Bayou Folk." The grounds of the museum include a blacksmith shop, a country doctor's office and displays of early farm implements. The Museum is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Northwestern State University is present owner of Bayou Folk Museum, through the generosity of a donation by the former owner, Mrs. Mildred McCoy. **Open - see schedule.**
- **25.0 miles** (17) (.3 miles) The traditional site of SANG POUR SANG (blood for blood) is a one-mile hike from the road. French troops from Fort St. Jean Baptiste des Natchitoches, with their Indian allies, annihilated the Natchez Indian Tribe here in 1732. Behind the Emmanuel School Building is a ridge which runs to the northwest. If you follow the ridge to the steep bluff at the end, you will see the dry lake where the battle is said to have occurred.

Return to Natchitoches on Highway 1.

- (18) 2.7 miles north of the Cloutierville intersection is the CREOLE CRAFT HOUSE. The original slave cabin is now restored to hold a variety of local arts and crafts. Area tourist literature is also available here. **Open weekdays**
- (19) 3.2 miles to LaCOUR'S DOLL HOUSE, which displays an attractive array of sewing crafts. The Official Louisiana Bicentennial Doll was created by Mrs. Lair LaCour
- (20) 12.6 miles to the HENRI DE TONTI MARKER. On February 17, 1690, Henri de Tonti, a trader and French army officer known as the Iron Hand, arrived in this area to search for LaSalle's lost colony. While here, he helped arrange a treaty between the Tensas and Natchitoches Indians
- (21) The NATCHITOCHES NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY AQUARIUM has a 20-tank aquarium display of the species of fish propagated at this hatchery. A number of other species are also on display. This is the only such facility in the state of Louisiana. **Aquarium is open daily 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.**


(41) WILLIAMS HOME
(37) DUCOURNAU SQUARE
(38) CLOUTIER TOWNHOUSE
(39) BRICK STREET
(36) SPIRAL STAIRCASE
ST. DENIS
(35) HISTORIC MARKER
(34) PRUDHOMME-ROUQUIER HOUSE
(33) TANTE HUPPE HOUSE
(31) LEVY HOUSE
(30) BAYOU AMULET
(29) TAYLOR HOUSE
(28) LEMEE HOUSE
(27) LAUREATE HOUSE
(24) ACKEL-DRANGUET HOUSE
COLONIAL GATEWAY CORRAL
(23) COLONIAL GATEWAY CORRAL MARKER
(20) NORMAL HILL
(19) AMERICAN CEMETE
(15) TRINITY EPISCOPA CHURCH
(14) CUNNINGHAM LA OFFICES
(10) IMMACULTATE CONCEPTION CATHO CHURCH
(9) OLD COURTHOU
(6) THE MAGNOLIA
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(3) ROQUE (rock)
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To Winnfield
To Grand Ecore Amphitheatre, Camp Briarwood Nature Preserve
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To Alexandria
Fish Hatchery Aquarium
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was Peter Johnson. This was in 1858. Johnson with his twelve year old son, Peter, Jr., were on their way to mill at Meridian, Texas. The father was murdered and Peter, Jr., captured. The boy was abandoned by the Indians and a few days later rescued by cowhands who found him following a belled cow belonging to a nearby settler. Kin McKinzie reported to be the first white man killed in the county by Indians, was killed in a fight with raiding Indians in northwest part of town. James H. Tankersly, Comanche's first postmaster was killed by a band of Indians near the present site of Brooksmith in Brown County. Tankersly and a Mr. Carmean were on their way to Camp Collier or Fort McKavett. Another early Indian murder was that of the 12-year-old son of John Baggett who lived on Baggett Creek, some seven miles north of Cora. This was in about 1863.

During Civil War days and a few years thereafter, Comanche County had two Frontier Guard Companies, one commanded by Capt. James Cunningham and the other by Captain W. F. Robinson. The City of Comanche has a photostatic copy of Company No. 2 commanded by Captain Robinson presented by Judge P. M. Rice of Hamilton. In so far as we know there is no record in the county on Captain Cunningham's company.

The first post office in the town of Comanche was established in 1860 with James H. Tankersly postmaster. The post office was housed in Tankersly's resident, a log house located on the lot just north and across the street from Clemons Motor Co. The first mail service was once a week out of Gatesville. The mail was brought in a two wheel gig and Sam Bigham of Gatesville was the first mail carrier. From 1857 till into the seventies all mail service was through Waco with New Orleans as the distributing point for all the southwest.

Comanche County was the first county created and organized in this section and in the early seventies was political headquarters for fifty or more counties, organized and unorganized to the west and northwest, and in seventy-four or five, John D. Stephens of Comanche was elected State Senator and represented most of the west half of Texas.

Among the first settlers in portions of the county other than the settlements at Cora, Mercer's Creek, Mountain Creek and South Leon though no claim is made that the list is at all complete we find the following, Gustine section: William Lester, James Farmer and Cary Wood; Warren's Creek: Wm. Tatum, Andy Miller, James Cameron, Charley Cameron and Harrison Albin; Round Mountain settlement (Sidney): Malachi Cox, Don Cox, Boaz Cox, Polk Cox; Sweetwater: Henry Martin, Jr. and Wm. Ham; Rush Creek: Wm. Dunn, John Stinnett, John Hanson, Bill Hanson, Silas Dunn, and Jack Hanson; Comanche and Indian Creek: Thomas Wilson, Dick Kiser, Kenneth McKinzie, Thomas [illegible]gan, Bailey Marshall, Geo. Scott, Kell Rigsby, Tom Wright, J. A. (Uncle Jack) Wright, Robert Marshall, Jim Millican, Any Stewart, James H. Tankersly, Silas Tackett, Wm. (Bill) Poiner, John [illegible]. McGuire, John Jenkins, M. O. Coker, Len Coker, Henry Martin, Sr., and Chas. Isham; Proctor (Walnut Creek): Wm. (Col. Bill) Stone, M. Stone, Enoch Jones, Gabe Ratliff, Dave Johnson, and T. O. Moore; Pettit: Asa Reed, Rev. Je[illegible]e Johnson, J. P. Pettit, W. G. Parker, Rogue Northcutt, Orlando Whitney, Nick Cox; Baggett Creek: John Baggett; Lamkin: Eli Pickett, Dave Rol[illegible], Wm. Neel, Thomas Shockley, Dick Shockley, Robe[illegible]ckley, James Neel, Alex Neel, Booker Neel.

We have been able to get but little data as to the first settlers in that part of the county north of Rush Creek. In the De Leon sections the Carruths, Nunnellys, Pounds, Scotts and Barkers were among the first. The De Leon territory did not begin to settle rapidly till the coming of the Texas Central Railroad in about 1881. In the Sipe Springs section the Childers, Plotts, Halls, Whitesides, Fosters, Deweys, Watkins, Oneals, Leonards, English, Wyatts and Murphys were among the first.

In this brief sketch we have made no attempt to come nearer to the present than 1875 and have only touched

How Local Communities Were Named

Comanche County was named by Col. John Brouer, of Belton in January of '55, who was a special admirer of the Comanche Indians.

The town of Comanché was named for the county when the County seat was moved in 1859.

Cotton Grove was named because of its location. The school house is located in a grove of cottonwood trees.

Leon school district was named for the Leon River which was named in honor of Alonzo De Leon.

Robinson Springs was named in honor of the Robinson brothers who were the first owners of the land where the springs are located.

Brysonville was named in honor of J. H. Bryson who settled at this place in the 60's. He owned 111,201 acres of land at one time and out of this he gave land for the school campus.

Jakehamon sprang up during the oil boom in 1919, and was named in honor of Jake Hamon who gave the land for the town site and built a railroad from there to Dublin.

Van Dyke was named in honor of Van Dyke Frost who gave land for the school campus at this place in the early 70's.

The present site of the little village of Lamkin was once the property of George Lamkin who settled there in 1886, and when settlers became more numerous and a place of business was established it was named in honor of him.

Proctor was named in honor of A. W. Proctor who settled where this small village is located in 1872 and gave land for the school campus.

Beattie was named in honor of Chas. F. Beatty who settled there in the year of 1892. It was through his effort that a postoffice was established at this place, so they named it in honor of him but dropped the "y" on the word Beatty and added "ie".

Sipe Springs was named by John C. Plott in 1870 who was helping herd some cattle at the time. He told the boys to drive the cattle down to Sipe Springs Branch and then back to Dudley Flat. This was the first time that any one had ever heard the place called Sipe Springs Branch but since that time it has been called Sipe Springs.

Rucker was named in honor of Calven Rucker who established a gin there in about 1890.

Energy was named by Willie and Carlie Bexter who own a store at that place. They named it Energy because the crowd of men were always so full of energy when they gathered at the store.

Logan's Gap was named in honor of Tom Logan who settled at this place in 1856 or '57.

Cox's Gap was named in honor of M. C. Cox who settled at this place in 1859 or '60.

Warren Creek was named in honor of Thos. Warring and they changed the way of spelling it from "ing" to Warren.

Resley's Creek was named for George Resley who settled near it in the late 50's.

Holmsley's Creek was named in honor of Burl Holmsley who settled on it in the year of 1855.

Sweetwater Creek was named by the pioneers of the county as the water has a sweet taste.

Agnew Cave was named in honor of a Mr. Agnew who used the cave as his home in the 60's and carved his name on the rocks.

1867-Voter Registration
Comanche County, Texas
Pct. 5

Number	Date	Name	Birthplace
139	Nov. 22, 1869	Ham, Wm. A.	Tennessee

Lived in state	Lived in county	Lived in pct.
30 years	15 years	4 years

Tax Roll List

1862-Comanche Co., Texas - Wm. A. Ham
1873- Wm. Ham -112 cattle + 1 horse
no land

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Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value-Real Estate	Value-Personal Property	Birthplace	Father foreign bn.	Mother foreign bn.	Month born in year	Month married in year	School in year	Can't read or write	Eligible to vote	Date of Enumeration	Remarks
23	166	183	Ham, William	37	M	W	Farmer			Tenn.									
			Margret E.	30	F	W				Missouri									
			Josephine	15	F	W				Texas									
			John	13	M	W				Texas									
			William	9	M	W				Texas									
			Joel	6	M	W				Texas									
			Martha J.	1	F	W				Texas									

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1	2	3 The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	4	5	6	7 Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	8	9	10 Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	19
161	177	Scott Francis	35	M	W	Farmer			Indiana						/	/		/
		Gilaldy	27	F	W	Keeping House			Virginia							/		
		[illegible]	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary J.	13	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	10	M	W				"					/		/		
		Henry	5	M	W				"					/	/	/		
162	178	Wisely [illegible]	35	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Francis	27	F	W	Keeping House			Virginia									
		[illegible]	15	[illegible]	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	W				Texas									
		[illegible]	3	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	W				"			Mar						
	179	Scott [illegible]	31	M	W	Farm Laborer		300	Ind.						/	/		/
163	180	Spurlin Mary [illegible]	51	F	W	Keeping House		213	North Car						/	/		x
		Wm A.	33	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	20	M	W	Working on Farm			Miss.						/	/		
		Joseph T.	15	M	W									/		/		
		Mary E.	14	F	W									/		/		
		Asa J.	13	M	W									/		/		
164	181	Marshall [illegible]	57	M	W	Farming												/
		Nancy S.	40	F	W	Keeping House												
		Robert J. H.	30	M	W	Farm Laborer												/
		[illegible]	16	M	W									/				
		[illegible]	14	F	W									/		/		
		[illegible]	11	F	W									/	/	/		
		Wyatt	9	M	W									/		/		
		[illegible]	5	F	W				"									
		Jennie	3	F	W				"									(
		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			Apr						
165	182	Marshall [illegible]	26	M	W	Farming			[illegible]									/
		Olive O.	23	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert G.	1	M	W				Texas									
166	183	Hare William	37	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri						/			
		Josephine	13	F	W				Kansas					/		/		
		John	11	M	W				"					/		/		
		William	9	M	W				"					/		/		
		Jas	6	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

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Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
	152	152	Ham, Wm. A.	W	M	47		Head		X				Farmer			Tenn	North Carolina	Tenn		
			Marget E.	W	F	44		wife		X				keeps house			Missouri	Georgia	Georgia		
			John Daniel	W	M	23		son	X		X			Farmer			Tex	Tenn	Missouri		
			Wm. A., Jr.	W	M	17		son	X		X			Farmer			"	"	"		
			Joel Henry	W	M	14		son	X		X			works on farm			"	"	"		
			Martha	W	F	11		daug.	X		X			at home			"	"	"		
			Thomas F.	W	M	9		son						"			"	"	"		
			Geo. Dallas	W	M	6		son						"			"	"	"		
			Luther Edgar	W	M	3		son						"			"	"	"		

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Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children born since June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

DULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E.D. #31), in the County of Comanche, State of Tex
enumerated by me on the 10 and 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M.

			Personal Description.					Civil Condition.				Occupation.		Health.						Education.			Nativity.	
Dwelling-houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mulatto, Mu.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: 3/12.	If born within the Census year, give the month.	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Single, /	Married, /	Widowed, / Divorced, D.	Married during Census year, /	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Is the person [on the day of the Enumerator's visit] sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind, /	Deaf and Dumb, /	Idiotic, /	Insane, /	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, /	Attended school within the Census year, /	Cannot read, /	Cannot write, /	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
52	152	Ham Wm A	W	M	47				1															
		" Margret E		F	44		wife		1			Farmer	✓											
		" John Daniel		M	23		Son	1				Keepinghouse											Tenn	N.C
		" William A		M	17		"	1				Farmer	✓									1	Mo	Ga
		" Joell Henry		M	14		"	1				" "	✓										Texas	Tenn
		" Marthia		F	11		Daught	1				Works on farm	—							1			"	"
		" Thomas F		M	9		Son	1				at Home								1			"	"
		" Geo Dallas		M	6		"	1				" "								1			"	"
		" Luther Edgar		M	3		"	1				" "											"	"
53	153	Martin W.M		M	24				1			" "											"	"
		" Sinia		F	25		wife		1			Farmer	✓										"	"
54	154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Keepinghouse											Texas	Tenn
		" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Keepinghouse											Ill	Tenn
		" Geo Abe		M	14		"	1				Farming	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Lorin G.		M	12		"	1				works on farm	✓										"	Ill
		" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				" " "								1			"	"
		" James P		M	8		Son	1				At School											"	"
		" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" Home								1			"	"
		" Chle F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
5	155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			" "											"	"
		" Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Farmer	✓										"	N.a"
		" James M		M	5		Son	1				Keepinghouse											Va	Va
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		" Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											Texas	Va
		" Wm Columbus		M	4/12	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
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		" Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Farmer	✓										" "	"
		" Thos Edgar		M	9		Son	1				Keepinghouse	12	Consumption									S.C	Va
		" Lanie H		M	7		"	1				At Home								1			Tenn	Ala
	157	Cooper John		M	43				1			" "											Texas	S.C
		" Mary		F	36		wife		1			Farmer	✓										" "	"
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1900
EXTRACT FROM 1900 CENSUS Precinct #1
27 June 1900
By W.A. Glow

State Texas County or Parish Comanche Township, Ward or Beat ______ Street ______
Index compiled by ______ Extract by ______ Date of Enumeration ______ Publication No. ______ Reel No

Enumeration district	House No.	Sheet	Line	Names	Relationship to head of house	Color	Sex	Month and year of birth	Age	Marital status	Years married	Mother of how many children	No. of these children living	Person's birthplace	Father's birthplace	Mother's birthplace	Year of immigration	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalized	Occupation	Remarks
	178/181			Ham, Marguerite E.	Head	W	F	Sept. 1836	63	Widow				Missouri	So. Carolina	Georgia				Farmer	

Owns farm free + clear
farm schedule 165
can't read or write
speaks english

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1900

Margrett Emely Ham

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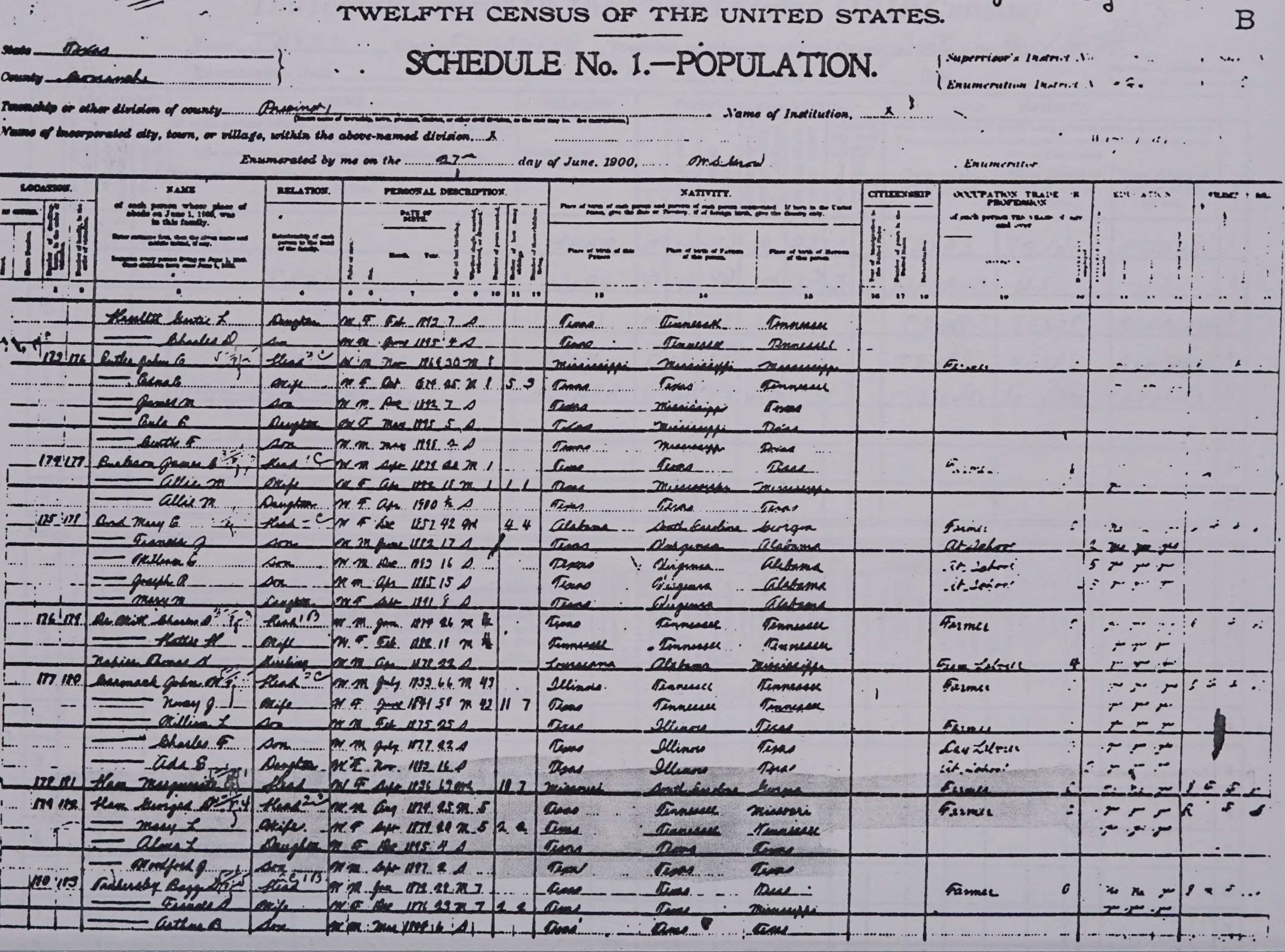

TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.

SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

State Texas
County Comanche
Township or other division of county Precinct 1
Name of Institution x
Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division x
Supervisor's District No.
Enumeration District No.
Enumerated by me on the 27th day of June, 1900, M. S. Maw, Enumerator.

Dwelling	Family	Name	Relation	Color	Sex	Month	Year	Age	Marital	Years married	Children born	Living	Birthplace	Father's birthplace	Mother's birthplace	Occupation
		Hamilton Gertie L	Daughter	W	F	Feb	1893	7	S				Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	
		—— Charles D	Son	W	M	June	1895	4	S				Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	
173	176	Butler John C	Head	W	M	Nov	1869	30	M	1			Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi	Farmer
		—— Edna E	Wife	W	F	Oct	1874	25	M	1	5	3	Texas	Texas	Tennessee	
		—— Jewell M	Son	W	M	Dec	1892	7	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas	
		—— Eula E	Daughter	W	F	Mar	1895	5	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas	
		—— Buster F	Son	W	M	May	1898	2	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas	
174	177	Burleson James B	Head	W	M	Sep	1878	21	M	1			Texas	Texas	Texas	Farmer
		—— Allie M	Wife	W	F	Apr	1882	18	M	1	1	1	Texas	Mississippi	Mississippi	
		—— Allie M	Daughter	W	F	Apr	1900	1/12	S				Texas	Texas	Texas	
175	178	Ord Mary E	Head	W	F	Dec	1857	42	Wd		4	4	Alabama	South Carolina	Georgia	Farmer
		—— Francis J	Son	W	M	June	1882	17	S				Texas	Virginia	Alabama	At school
		—— William E	Son	W	M	Dec	1883	16	S				Texas	Virginia	Alabama	At school
		—— Joseph R	Son	W	M	Apr	1885	15	S				Texas	Virginia	Alabama	At school
		—— Mary M	Daughter	W	F	Sep	1891	8	S				Texas	Virginia	Alabama	
176	179	DeWitt Charles D	Head	W	M	Jan	1874	26	M	1/12			Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	Farmer
		—— Hattie H	Wife	W	F	Feb	1882	18	M	1/12			Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	
		Nabin Thomas A	Hireling	W	M	Apr	1878	22	S				Louisiana	Alabama	Mississippi	Farm Laborer
177	180	Carmack John W	Head	W	M	July	1833	66	M	43			Illinois	Tennessee	Tennessee	Farmer
		—— Nancy J	Wife	W	F	June	1841	58	M	42	11	7	Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	
		—— William L	Son	W	M	Feb	1875	25	S				Texas	Illinois	Texas	Farmer
		—— Charles F	Son	W	M	July	1877	22	S				Texas	Illinois	Texas	Day Laborer
		—— Ada E	Daughter	W	F	Nov	1883	16	S				Texas	Illinois	Texas	At school
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		—— Mary L	Wife	W	F	Sep	1879	20	M	5	2	2	Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	
		—— Alma L	Daughter	W	F	Dec	1895	4	S				Texas	Texas	Texas	
		—— Woodford J	Son	W	M	Sep	1897	2	S				Texas	Texas	Texas	
180	183	Sadlersby Bagg	Head	W	M	Jan	1878	22	M	7			Texas	Texas	Texas	Farmer
		—— Frances A	Wife	W	F	Dec	1876	23	M	7	2	2	Texas	Texas	Mississippi	
		—— Arthur B	Son	W	M	Mar	1899	1	S				Texas	Texas	Texas	

Thirteenth Census Of The United States (1910 Census)

State TEXAS County COMANCHE Township or other Division of County Justine Dist. (South part of)

Enumeration Date ______ Roll ______ Sheet ______ Dist. ______

Form C10
The Everton Publishers, Inc.
P.O. Box 368, Logan, utah 84321

Line	LOCATION			NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION							NATIVITY			Line
	House number city or town	Number of dwelling house	Number of family	of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the country. Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	
1		57	162	HAM, J.D.	HEAD	M	W	52	M	22			TEXAS	TENN.	MISSOURI	1
2				IRENE	WIFE	F	W	42	M	22	2	2	ALABAMA	U.S.	U.S.	2
3				OTIS	SON	M	W	21	S				TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	3
4				WILLIE VEI	DAUG.	F	W	17	S				TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	4
5				HAM, MARGARET	MOTHER	F	W	73	WID.				MISSOURI.	SO. CARO.	GEORGIA	5
6																6
7																7
8																8

Line	CITIZENSHIP			OCCUPATION					EDUCATION			OWNERSHIP OF HOME							REMARKS	Line
	Year of immigration to U.S.	Naturalized or Alien	Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by person, as spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which person works, as cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.	Whether an employer employee, or working own account.	If employee: Out of work on April 15, 1910.	If employee: Weeks out of work during year 1909.	Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1909	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether survivor Union, Confederate Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes).	Whether deaf and dumb.		
1				LUMBERMAN	LUMBERYARD				YES	YES	NO									1
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3				ASSISTANT	LUMBERYARD				〃	〃	〃									3
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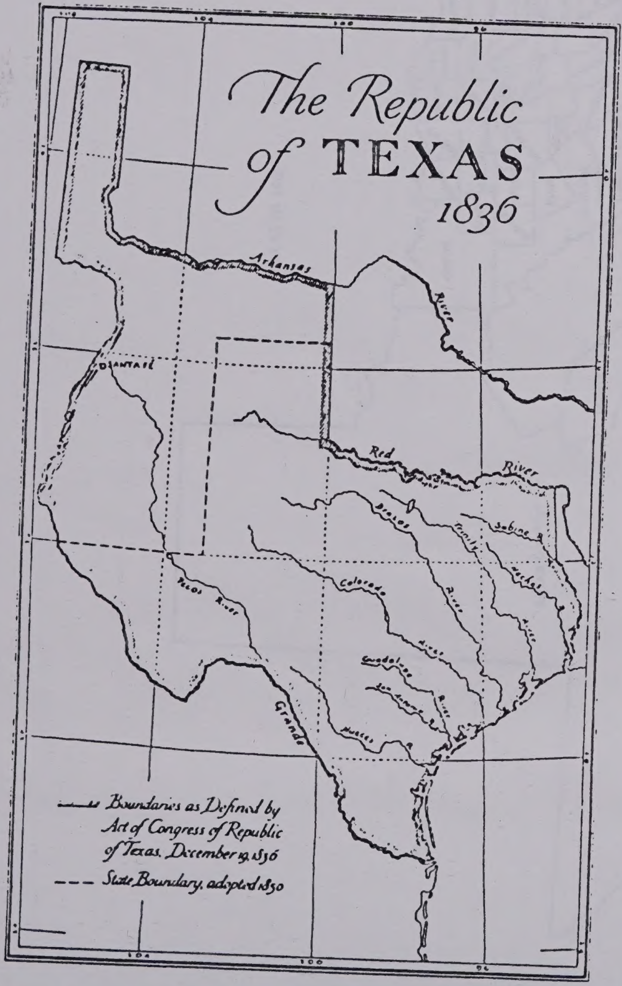

The Republic of TEXAS 1836

Boundaries as Defined by Act of Congress of Republic of Texas, December 19, 1836

State Boundary, adopted 1850

Arkansas
River
Red
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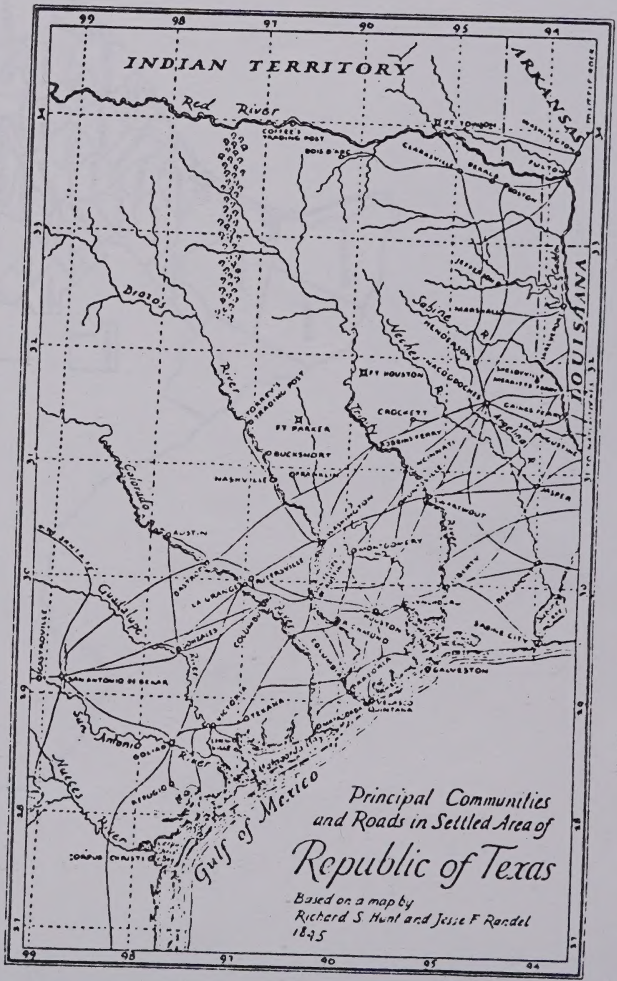
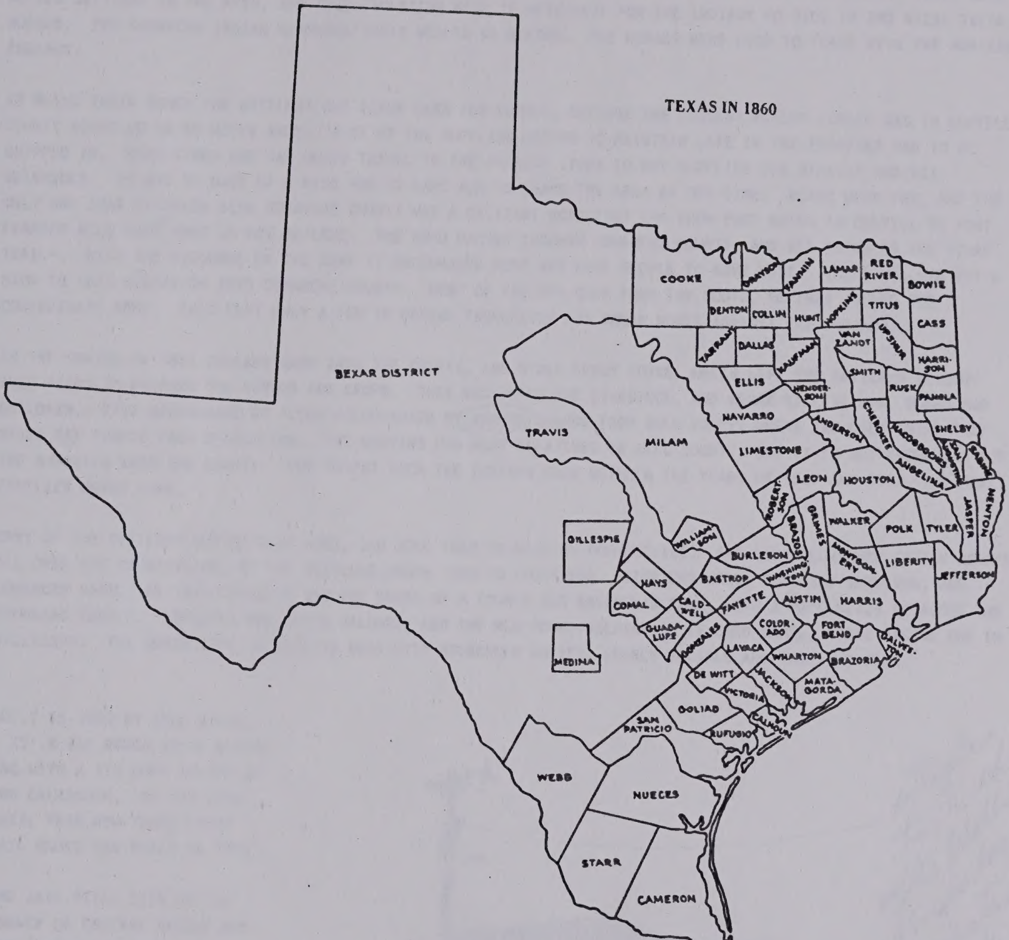
Sabine R.
Trinity
Neches
Brazos
Colorado
River
Guadalupe
San Antonio
Nueces
Pecos River
Grande



Principal Communities and Roads in Settled Area of Republic of Texas

Based on a map by Richard S. Hunt and Jesse F. Randel 1845

INDIAN TERRITORY
ARKANSAS
LOUISIANA
Red River
Gulf of Mexico
Brazos
River
Colorado
Guadalupe
San Antonio
River
Nueces
River
Trinity
Neches
Sabine
R.
Angelina
Coffee's Trading Post
Bois d'Arc
Ft Towson
Washington
Clarksville
Fulton
Boston
Jefferson
Marshall
Henderson
Nacogdoches
Ft Houston
Crockett
Torrey's Trading Post
Ft Parker
Bucksnort
Nashville
Austin
Bastrop
La Grange
Columbus
Gonzales
Victoria
Goliad
Refugio
San Antonio de Bexar
Castroville
Corpus Christi
Washington
Montgomery
Houston
Galveston
Sabine City
Jasper
Quintana


TEXAS IN 1860
BEXAR DISTRICT
COOKE
GRAYSON
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LAMAR
RED RIVER
BOWIE
DENTON
COLLIN
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HOPKINS
TITUS
CASS
TARRANT
DALLAS
KAUFMAN
VAN ZANDT
UPSHUR
HARRISON
SMITH
ELLIS
HENDERSON
RUSK
PANOLA
NAVARRO
ANDERSON
CHEROKEE
NACOGDOCHES
SHELBY
TRAVIS
MILAM
LIMESTONE
SAN AUGUSTINE
SABINE
ANGELINA
LEON
HOUSTON
ROBERTSON
BRAZOS
GRIMES
WALKER
POLK
TYLER
JASPER
NEWTON
GILLESPIE
WILLIAMSON
BURLESON
MONTGOMERY
LIBERTY
JEFFERSON
HAYS
BASTROP
WASHINGTON
AUSTIN
HARRIS
COMAL
CALDWELL
FAYETTE
GUADALUPE
GONZALES
COLORADO
FORT BEND
GALVESTON
LAVACA
WHARTON
BRAZORIA
MEDINA
DE WITT
JACKSON
MATAGORDA
VICTORIA
GOLIAD
CALHOUN
SAN PATRICIO
REFUGIO
WEBB
NUECES
STARR
CAMERON

THE SETTLEMENT OF COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEN THE HAMS AND MARTINS MOVED TO THE "WILD AND WOOLEY WEST", THERE WERE BEAR, PANTHER, DEER, ANTELOPE AND BUFFALO IN THE AREA, AND A GROWTH OF MIXED TREES, AND WONDERFUL SOIL. COMANCHE COUNTY, IS ABOUT 1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL ALL OVER THE COUNTY, EXCEPT IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER WERE IT CLIMBS TO 1850 FEET. ONCE IT WAS LEVEL LIMESTONE PLAIN DRAINED BY ANCIENT RIVERS, AND THE LAND WAS CREATED WHEN IT ROSE FROM THE DRAINAGE OF THE ANCIENT COMANCHE SEA.

THIS LAND WAS A FAVORITE SPOT OF THE INDIANS, BECAUSE OF THE PLENTIFUL WILD ANIMALS, BERRIES, NUTS, FRUITS, AND HONEY FROM THE "BEE TREES". THE INDIANS DIDN'T MAKE LIFE EASY FOR THE FIRST WHITE SETTLERS. THERE WERE SO FEW SETTLERS IN THE AREA, AND THIS ISOLATION MADE IT VERY EASY FOR THE INDIANS TO RIDE IN AND STEAL THEIR HORSES. THE COMANCHE INDIAN MEASURED THEIR WEALTH IN HORSES. THE HORSES WERE USED TO TRADE WITH THE NORTHERN INDIANS.

TO BUILD THEIR HOMES THE SETTLERS CUT SCRUB OAKS FOR LUMBER, BECAUSE THE CLOSEST MILLED LUMBER WAS IN CORYELL COUNTY ABOUT 60 OR SO MILES AWAY. MOST OF THE SUPPLIES NEEDED TO MAINTAIN LIFE IN THE FRONTIER HAD TO BE SHIPPED IN. MANY TIMES ONE MAN WOULD TRAVEL TO THE NEAREST STORE TO BUY SUPPLIES FOR HIMSELF AND HIS NEIGHBORS. IT WAS TO MUCH OF A RISK FOR TO MANY MEN TO LEAVE THE AREA AT ONE TIME. ROADS WERE FEW, AND THE ONLY ONE THAT TRAVELED NEAR COMANCHE COUNTY WAS A MILITARY ROAD THAT RAN FROM FORT GATES IN CORYELL TO FORT PHANTOM HILL NEAR WHAT IS NOW ABILENE. THE ROAD PASSED THROUGH COMANCHE COUNTY, AND WAS KNOWN AS THE "CORN TRAIL". WITH THE PRESENCE OF THE ARMY IT ENCOURAGED MORE AND MORE PEOPLE TO MOVE WEST. THE CIVIL WAR PUT A STOP TO THIS MIGRATION INTO COMANCHE COUNTY. MOST OF THE MEN COME FROM THE SOUTH, SO THEY JOINED THE CONFEDERATE ARMY. THIS LEFT ONLY A FEW TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AND THEIR HOMES AGAINST THE INDIANS.

IN THE SPRING OF 1861 INDIANS CAME INTO THE COUNTY, AND STOLE EVERY HORSE, WHICH LEFT THE SETTLERS WITHOUT EVEN TEAMS TO PREPARE THE FIELDS FOR CROPS. THEY SCATTERED THE LIVESTOCK, AND BEGAN KILLING MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN. FIVE WAGONLOADS OF FLOUR ACCOMPANIED BY HARMED GUARDS FROM BELL COUNTY WHERE THE ONLY THING THAT SAVED THE PEOPLE FROM STARVATION. THE MARTINS HAD MANY RELATIVES IN BELL COUNTY, BUT IT IS NOT KNOWN WHO GOT THE SUPPLIES INTO THE COUNTY. THE THREAT FROM THE INDIANS GREW BETWEEN THE YEARS OF 1863 AND 1866, AND MANY FAMILIES MOVED AWAY.

S/B
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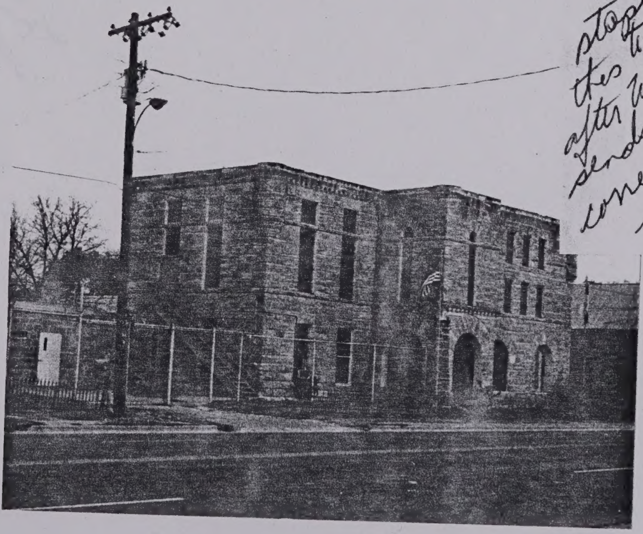
MANY OF THE SETTLERS HUNTED WILD HOGS, AND SOLD THEM TO NEAR BY COMMUNITIES. THE TEXAS LONGHORN CATTLE ROAMED ALL OVER THE COUNTRYSIDE, SO THE SETTLERS DROVE THEM TO LOUISIANA. LIFE WAS HARD, BUT THEY SURVIVED, AND COMANCHE GREW. BY 1874 COMANCHE WAS THE MODEL OF A COWMAN AND RANCHER'S TOWN, WITH A POPULATION OF ABOUT ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE. COMANCHE HAD SEVEN SALOONS, AND THE MEN FOUND RELAXATION IN CARD GAMES, HORSE RACING AND IN BILLIARDS. THE WOMEN KEPT THEMSELVES BUSY WITH HOUSEHOLD DUTIES, CHURCH SOCIALS AND QUILTING BEES.

BUILT IN 1892 BY BILL McGEE, A 15' X 20' ROUGH STONE BUILDING WITH A TIN ROOF SERVED AS THE CALABOOSE, IT WAS USED UNTIL THIS NEW THREE STORY JAIL HOUSE WAS BUILT IN 1904. --->

THE JAIL STILL SITS ON THE CORNER OF CENTRAL AVENUE AND MARY STREET IN COMANCHE.



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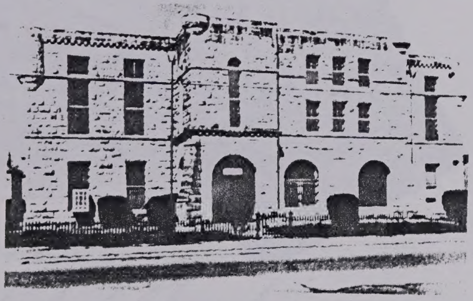
COMANCHE COUNTY JAIL

"Ordered by the Police Court of Comanche County that J. G. Hardin be authorized to solicit donations for the purpose of building a jail on Lot #12 of Block #7 and if the donors require it said donations shall be refunded by the county whenever there is sufficient money in the County Treasury not otherwise appropriated and said J. G. Hardin in connection with our County Commissioner will proceed immediately to build said jail on terms equitable to the county. Said jail house shall be fourteen by twenty feet and a partition dividing it into two rooms." This was the first jail.



Present County Jail - Comanche

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Old
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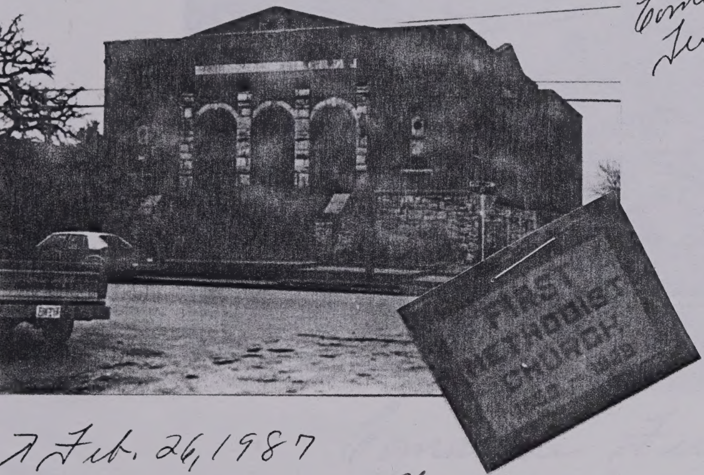

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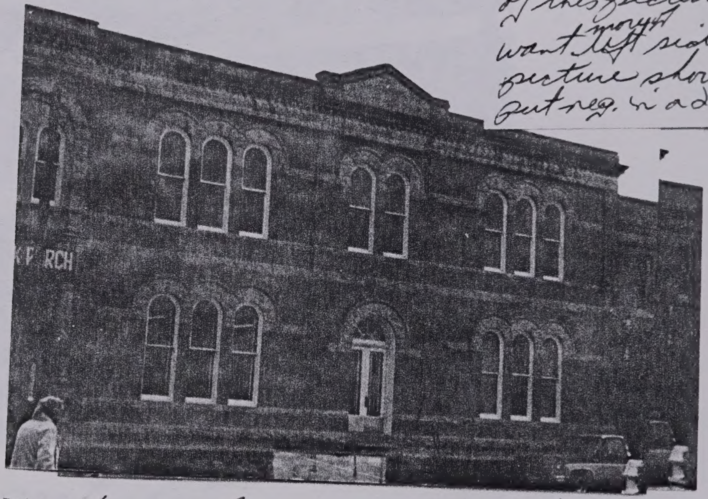

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↗ The old Comanche Bank Dec. 5, 1986
134 Central Ave.

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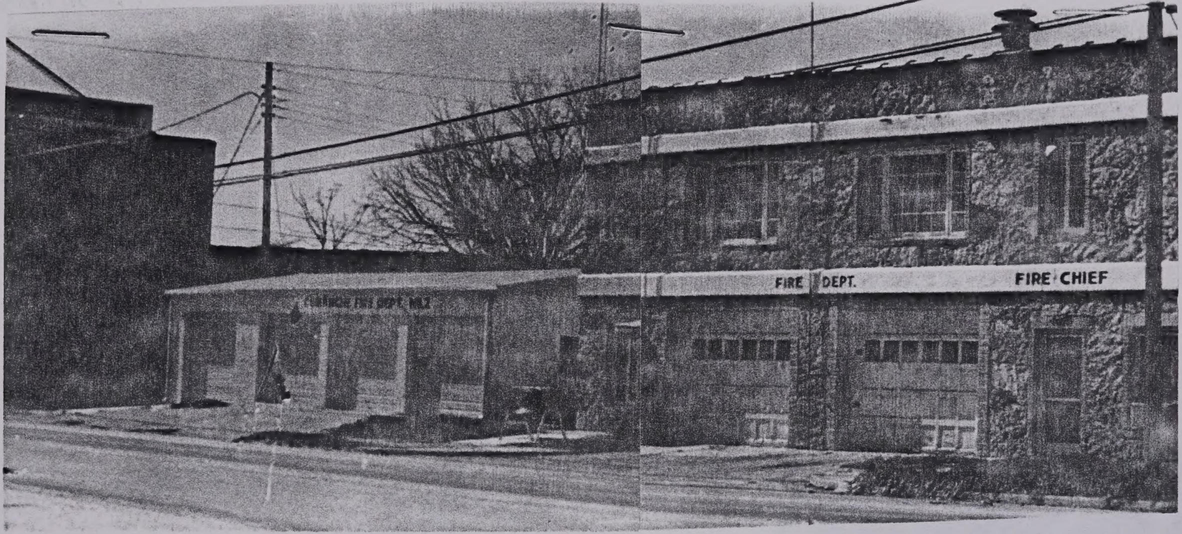
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Comanche Fire Department
Duncan and Austin Streets
Comanche, Texas
Feb. 27, 1987

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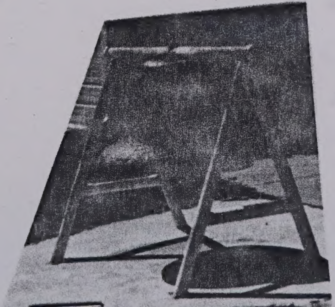

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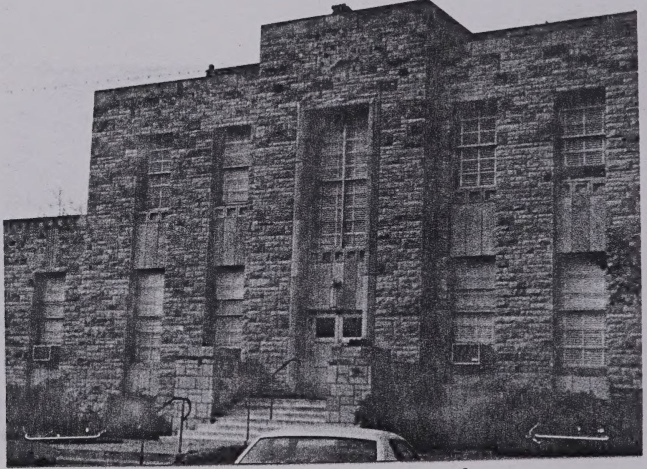
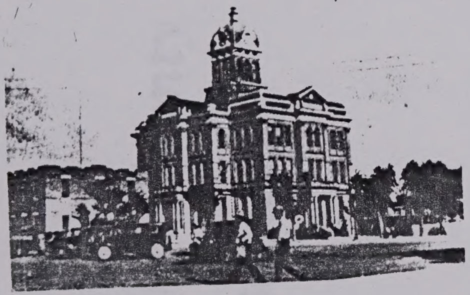
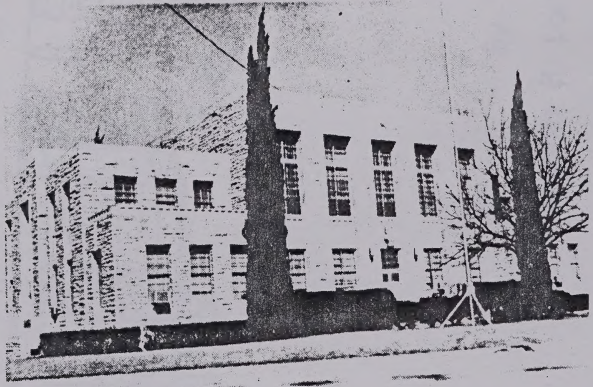
Entering city of Comanche



Comanche County Courthouse
facing Houstan Street
Comanche, Texas
Built 1940



Annex 1890 Courthouse Bandstand



1941 Courthouse

This building was constructed from native stone from the Hugh Lacy farm at Logan's Gap. The eagles over the doors were carved by the Elmer Webb.

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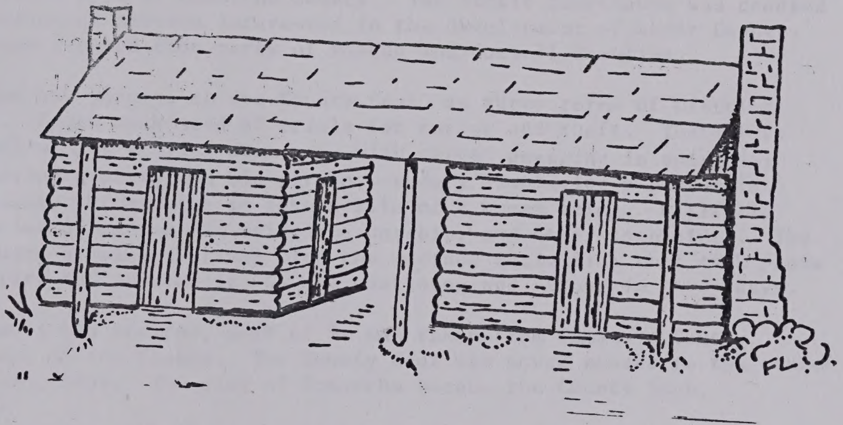
Comanche County Courthouses



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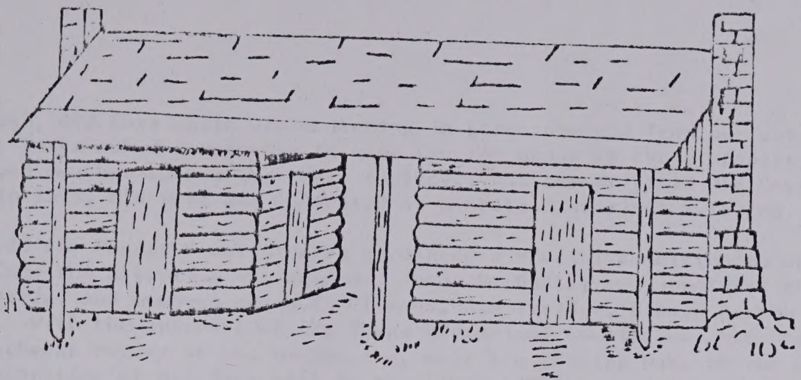


.OLD CORA - The Oldest Original Existing Courthouse in Texas

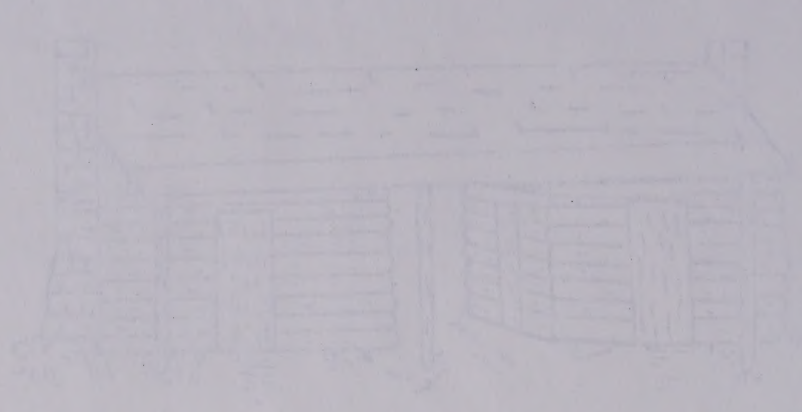
It was in the year of 1856 that Little Cora came into being. The materials for her construction were probably taken from trees that grew nearby where she first sat on the North bank of the South Leon River, the spot now known to be in the Pettit community in the Southeast part of Comanche County. The little courthouse was created by the hands of the dedicated persons interested in the development of their County. Comanche County had been created from parts of Bosque and Coryell Counties.

Little Cora served her purpose at the County Seat, as three terms of District Court were held there. Court consisted of trials for murder and theft. There were indictments such as unlawfully playing at a game with cards; engaging in spiritous liquors on Sunday; having a pistol on his person; rudely displaying a pistol in a public place; seriously threatening to take a life of a human being; willfully disturbing a congregation assembled for religious worship, and other complaints. The sides of Little Cora were bulging at times with the various activities that took place there, but she stood firm and endured it, as she was young and strong in those days.

When Hamilton County was created, part of it was taken from Comanche County, leaving Cora at the edge of the County. The County Seat was moved nearer to the center of the county on July 18, 1859. The city of Comanche became the County Seat.

The original log courthouse building remained at Cora townsite, as that village was important for a few years after the county seat was moved. The churches and businesses that had begun at Cora soon moved to Comanche, thus leaving Little Cora behind.

Rather than letting Cora stand and rot, the log courthouse was converted into a residence for the Tom W. Mathews family after they purchased the land around the building. In 1938, Mack Mathews, a son, who had been born there, wrote a letter to the Comanche Chief, asking that the old dwelling be preserved as a historical building. In 1939, J.R. Eanes and a committee including Ira Clemons, Walter Barret and Wid Spivey solicited donations from businessmen and interested citizens to purchase and move Old Cora to Lake Eanes. By this time, Little Cora was becoming Old Cora. However, repairs were made and Cora again served her County with dignity, as many people visited there on their way for a picnic in the Lake Eanes Park.



The Cabin - The Oldest Original Standing Courthouse in Texas

It was in the year of 1856 that Little Cora came into being. The materials for the [illegible] were probably taken from trees that grew close to where the first [illegible] on the North bank of the South Leon River, the spot now known as [illegible] in the northwest part of Comanche County. The log courthouse was erected by the labor of the dedicated persons interested in the development of their County. Comanche County had been created from parts of Bosque and Coryell Counties.

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The original log courthouse building [illegible]

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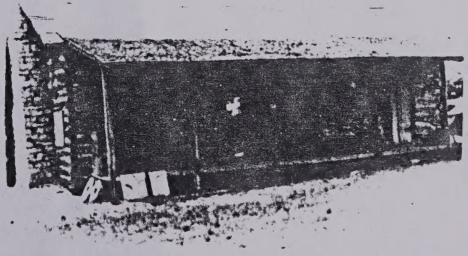
In 1963, Old Cora again was weakening in structure and from neglect. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burks asked permission to move the log house to their property in Comanche. The worn and weather-beaten logs were replaced, but the original Old Cora remained intact. In 1965, Old Cora was dedicated as a State Historical Building.

In 1983 the County Commissioners appointed a special committee to once again give Old Cora the attention she needed. James H. Dudley was appointed chairman of this committee, and members are W.E. Clemons, Ben Evridge, Clodah Patton and W. H. Smith, Jr. With the approval of the Texas Historical Commission, Old Cora was moved to the southwest corner of the townsquare, near the Fleming Oak, in the summer of 1984. Restoration of Old Cora will be completed in 1985, and once again she will serve her county.

The Sage Brush
Comanche County Historical Commission
September, 1983

A service of:
Comanche Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 65
Comanche, Texas 76442



OLD CORA

Ten miles southeast of the town of Comanche at old Cora was the site of the first county courthouse. The old log building was part of a two-room structure located just north of the Leon River bridge. In disrepair, the log house was later moved and rebuilt at Comanche as a result of a citizen drive to preserve the historic building, and since has received a historical marker.

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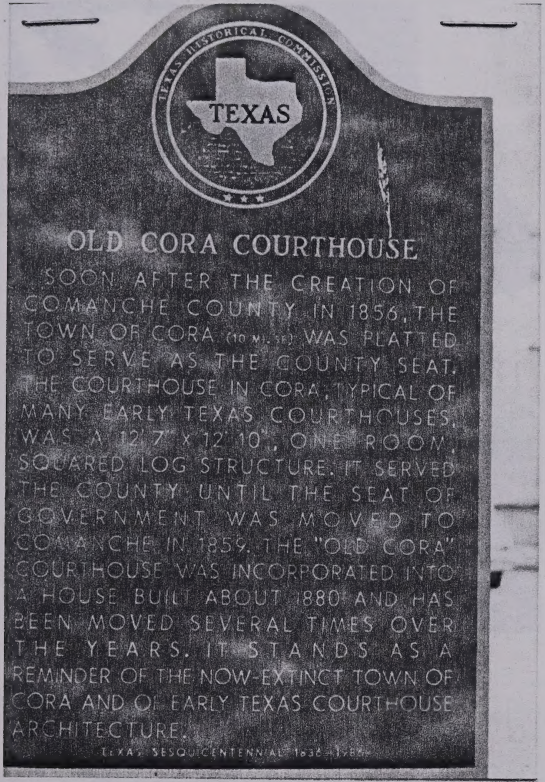

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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OLD CORA COURTHOUSE

SOON AFTER THE CREATION OF COMANCHE COUNTY IN 1856, THE TOWN OF CORA (10 MI. SE) WAS PLATTED TO SERVE AS THE COUNTY SEAT. THE COURTHOUSE IN CORA, TYPICAL OF MANY EARLY TEXAS COURTHOUSES, WAS A 12'7" X 12'10", ONE ROOM, SQUARED LOG STRUCTURE. IT SERVED THE COUNTY UNTIL THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT WAS MOVED TO COMANCHE IN 1859. THE "OLD CORA" COURTHOUSE WAS INCORPORATED INTO A HOUSE BUILT ABOUT 1880 AND HAS BEEN MOVED SEVERAL TIMES OVER THE YEARS. IT STANDS AS A REMINDER OF THE NOW-EXTINCT TOWN OF CORA AND OF EARLY TEXAS COURTHOUSE ARCHITECTURE.

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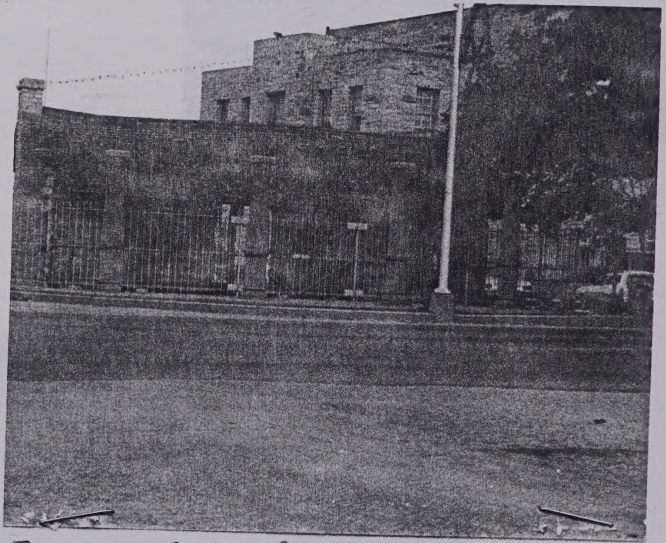
Old Cora Courthouse



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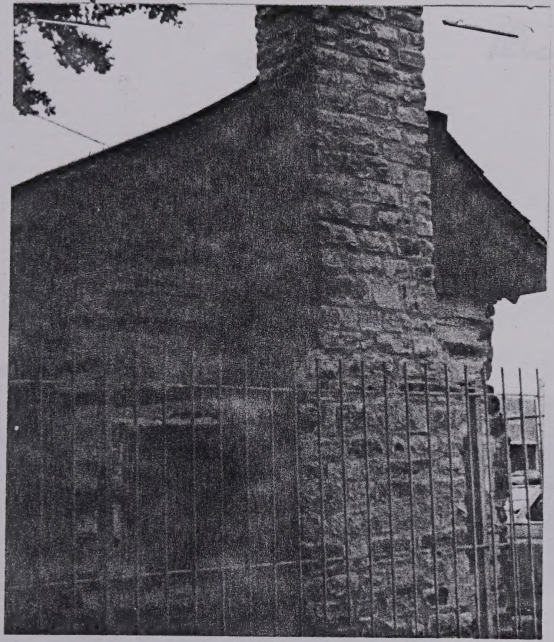

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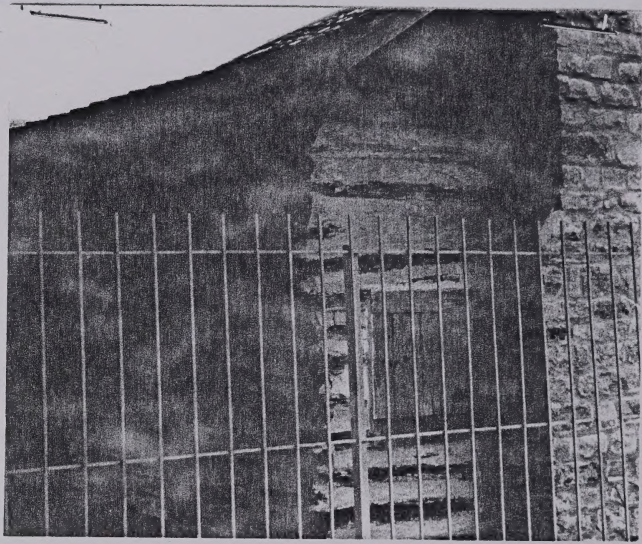

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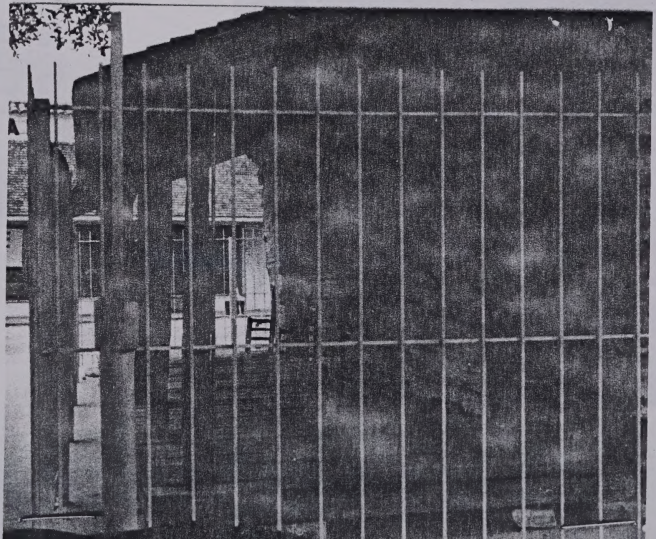

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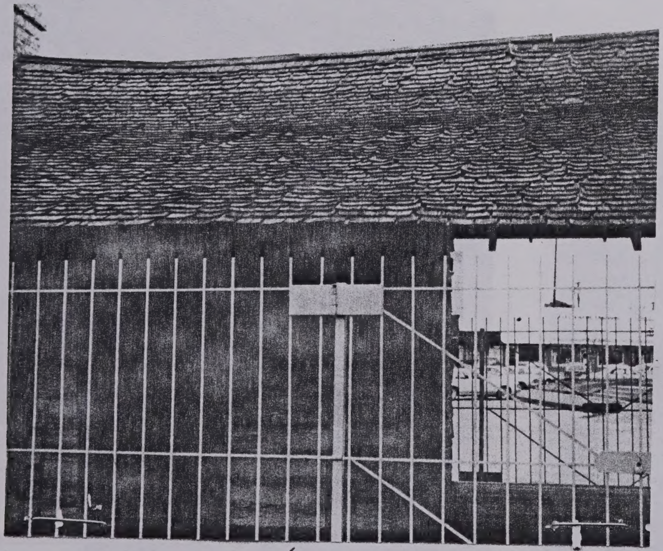
The Old Cora County
Courthouse



A two room courthouse
w/a breezeway between
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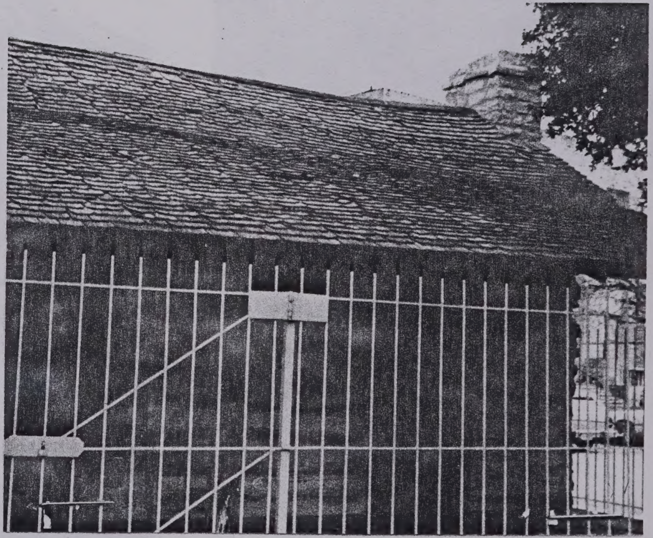

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at the Old Cora County Courthouse
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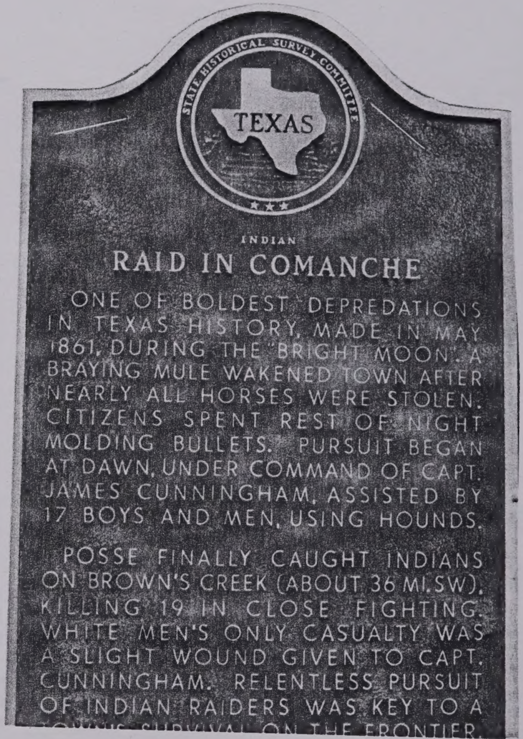

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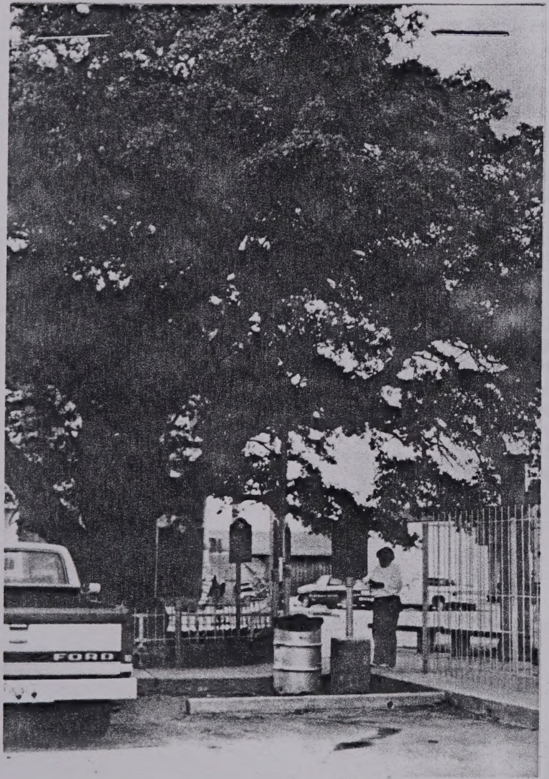
TEXAS

INDIAN

RAID IN COMANCHE

ONE OF BOLDEST DEPREDATIONS IN TEXAS HISTORY, MADE IN MAY 1861, DURING THE 'BRIGHT MOON'. A BRAYING MULE WAKENED TOWN AFTER NEARLY ALL HORSES WERE STOLEN. CITIZENS SPENT REST OF NIGHT MOLDING BULLETS. PURSUIT BEGAN AT DAWN, UNDER COMMAND OF CAPT. JAMES CUNNINGHAM, ASSISTED BY 17 BOYS AND MEN, USING HOUNDS.

POSSE FINALLY CAUGHT INDIANS ON BROWN'S CREEK (ABOUT 36 MI. SW), KILLING 19 IN CLOSE FIGHTING. WHITE MEN'S ONLY CASUALTY WAS A SLIGHT WOUND GIVEN TO CAPT. CUNNINGHAM. RELENTLESS PURSUIT OF INDIAN RAIDERS WAS KEY TO A TOWN'S SURVIVAL ON THE FRONTIER.



↗ Margolies Pittman
at the Fleming Oak
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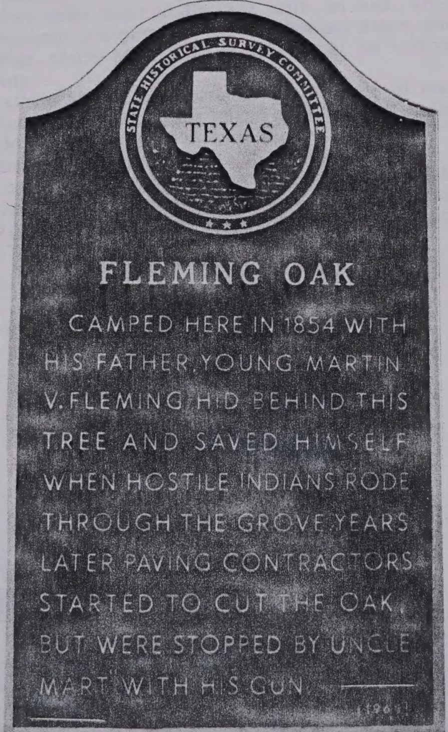

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FLEMING OAK

CAMPED HERE IN 1854 WITH HIS FATHER, YOUNG MARTIN V. FLEMING HID BEHIND THIS TREE AND SAVED HIMSELF WHEN HOSTILE INDIANS RODE THROUGH THE GROVE. YEARS LATER PAVING CONTRACTORS STARTED TO CUT THE OAK, BUT WERE STOPPED BY UNCLE MART WITH HIS GUN.

(1961)

The Fleming Oak

Although there are other stories about the Fleming Oak and although they might be more romantic or exciting, the following story appears to be the correct one. It appears in Famous Trees of Texas published by Texas A & M University, and the story therein is supported by an article from the Dallas Morning News on February 6, 1921.

Martin V. Fleming and his father arrived in Texas from Georgia in 1854. They spent their first night under the live oak that later became known as the Fleming Oak. When the county seat was established at Comanche in 1859, this same oak was on the southwest corner of the site chosen for the courthouse.

About 1911, Comanche's city fathers decided to pave the courthouse square. As the workmen were busily clearing trees from the area, ''Uncle Mart'' Fleming, as he was then affectionately known, stopped the workmen as they approached ''his tree'' and politely told them he had been tying his horse to that tree for years and he was used to seeing it there. In the exchange of words that followed, Uncle Mart threatened to use his ''No. 10's'' on them if they even touched the oak with an axe. Thinking he meant a 10-guage shotgun, the workers backed down, and the tree was spared. Uncle Mart later confided that he had meant his size 10 boots.

In 1919 Uncle Mart again came to the defense of his tree when some ''uninformed'' citizens talked about removing the old oak. They didn't. Then in his 80's, he is quoted as saying, ''They since have paid due respect to the old live oak.''

The old oak's benefactor has been gone for a third of a century, but his love for ''his tree'' lives on in the hearts of Comanche citizens, who proudly point to this living memorial of their pioneer heritage.

Fleming Oak

HISTORICAL MARKERS IN COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

1. First Comanche County Courthouse, "Old Cora", located SW corner of town square Comanche, Texas
2. Notorious Texas gunman, John Wesley Hardin, located Burks residence, 1000 N. Pearl Street, Comanche, Texas
3. Hanging Tree Stump, located Burks residence, 1000 N. Pearl Street, Comanche, Texas
4. Fleming Oak, located SW corner of town square, Comanche, Texas
5. General Ashbel Smith C.S.A. (1805-1886) located SW corner of town square, Comanche, Texas
6. St. Matthews Episcopal Church, located 500 N. Austin Street, Comanche, Texas
7. Indian Raid, located SW corner of town square, Comanche, Texas
8. L.B. Russell home, located 801 N. Elm Street, Comanche, Texas
9. M. R. (Boss) Greene (10-14-1843 - 5-12-1877), located in Oakwood Cemetery, Cedar Ave., Comanche, Texas
10. Confederate Memorial, located in Oakwood Cemetery, Cedar Ave., Comanche, Texas at Green St. and Ave D
11. First Presbyterian Church, located 207 N. Pearl St., Comanche, Texas
12. Old Corn Trail, located U.S. Highway 67/377, west of City limits of Comanche, Texas
13. Comanche County, located U.S. Highway 67/377, west of City limits of Comanche, Texas
14. First County Seat of Comanche County, at Cora, located Highway 36S in town of Gustine, Texas
15. Site of Old Gill Farm, located 8 miles NE of Comanche, at Copperas Creek Park, Lake Proctor, 1/4 miles N of FM Rd. 2861
16. Choctaw Robinson Tree, located at Hazel Dell community on FM Rd 591
17. Site of Indian Creek Community, located 4 miles E of Comanche on County road, about 1/2 miles SE of U.S. Highway 67/377 (marker at gate of Indian Creek Cemetery)
18. Lamkin, located SE of Comanche on Highway 36, at Lamkin, Texas
19. Union Primitive Baptist Church, located on FM Rd about 1 mile NW of Lamkin, Texas
20. Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, located 3 miles N of Comanche on FM Rd 2247, at site in churchyard.
21. Toliver Cemetery, located 2 miles NE of Lamkin, Texas
22. Proctor, located FM 1476, on West side of old well in Proctor, Texas
23. Mollie E. Moore; located on U.S. Highway 67/377 in town of Proctor, Texas
24. South Leon Baptist Church, located at site on marble shaft in churchyard at Newburg, Texas
25. Texas Ranger Captain James Cunningham, located Newburg Cemetery, 10 miles S of Comanche on FM Rd 1416.
26. Captain James Cunningham home, located on Highway 16 South, about 3 miles South of Newburg, Texas
27. Jones Crossing (historic ford on the Leon River, 150 yds SW) located on County Road 6 mi SE of DeLeon, Texas
28. Community of Comyn-Theney, located FM Rd 1496, in front of Comyn Post Office
29. Zion Hill Baptist Church, located on County Road off Highway 6, SE of DeLeon, Texas
30. Community of Sidney, located FM Rd 1689 and FM Rd 589, in town of Sidney, Texas
31. Pendergrass Cemetery, located ½ mi SE of Sidney, on Old Sidney Road, about 1½ miles NE of Sidney, Texas
32. Cox Cemetery, located about 1½ miles NE of Sidney, off of FM Rd 589
33. Amity Cemetery, located 3½ miles SW of State Highway 36 North, and about 6 miles SE of Rising Star, Texas
34. Sipe Springs Cemetery, located 1 mile NW of Sipe Springs, off FM Rd 587
35. Cyrus Campbell, DeLeon City Cemetery, DeLeon, Texas
36. George Washington Gentry, Oakwood Cemetery, Comanche, Texas
37. Hasse Community, located on US Highway 67/377, 5 miles E of Comanche, Texas
38. First White child buried in Comanche County, located 5 miles from city limits of Comanche on FM Rd 590

COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

HOW LOCAL COMMUNITIES WERE NAMED

COMANCHE COUNTY was named by Col. John Henry Brown of Belton, Texas, in 1856. He especially admired the Comanche Indians.

The town of COMANCHE was named for the County, when the county seat was moved in 1859.

COTTON GROVE was named because of its location - the School was situated in a grove of Cottonwood trees.

LEON school district was named for the Leon River which in turn was named in honor of Alonzo DeLeon.

ROBINSON SPRINGS was named in honor of the Robinson brothers, who were the first owners of the land where the springs are located.

BRYSONVILLE was named in honor of J.H. Bryson, who settled at that place in the 1860's. He owned 111,201 acres of land at one time, and out of this he gave land for the school campus.

JAKEHAMON sprang up during the oil boom in 1919, and was named for Jake Hamon, who gave the land for the townsite and built a railroad from there to Dublin, Texas.

VAN DYKE was named in honor of Van Dyke Frost, who gave the land for the community in the early 1870's.

The present site of the village of LAMKIN was once the property of George Lamkin, who settled there in 1886. When settlers became more numerous and a place of business was established, it was named in honor of Mr. Lamkin.

PROCTOR was named in honor of W.W. Proctor, who settled where this village is located in 1872. He gave land for the school campus.

BEATTIE was named in honor of Charles F. Beatty, who settled there in 1892. Through his effort a post office was established, and they named the community in his honor, but dropped the "Y" and added "IE".

SIPE SPRINGS was named by John C. Plott in 1870. He was helping herd some cattle at the time and told the boys to drive the cattle from Dudley Flat down to the "seeping" spring.

RUCKER was named in honor of Calvin Rucker, who established a gin there in about 1890.

ENERGY was named by Willie and Charlie Baxter, who owned a store at that place. They named it ENERGY because the crowd of mem were always so full of energy when they gathered at the store.

LOGANS GAP was named in honor of Tom Logan, who settled at this place in 1856 of 1857.

COX'S GAP was named in honor of M.C. Cox, who settled at this place in 1859.

WARREN CREEK was named in honor of Thomas Warring. They changed the spelling from Warring to WARREN.

RESLEY'S CREEK was named for George Resley, who settled near the creek in the late 1850's.

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HOLMSLEY'S CREEK was named in honor of Burrell Holmsley, who settled on it in 1855.

SWEETWATER CREEK was named by the pioneers of the county, as the water had a sweet taste.

AGNEW CAVE was named in honor of Mr. Agnew, who used the cave as his home in the 1860's and carved his name on the rocks.

DUNCAN CREEK was named in honor of John Duncan, who gave the land for the townsite of Comanche in 1859.

CORA was named by T.C. Frost in 1856, in honor of Miss Cora Beeman, the oldest daughter of Major Alonzo Beeman of Moffatt, Bell County, Texas.

The town of DeLEON was surveyed and townsite area was laid off by the Central Texas Railway Company on April 10, 1881. They gave it this name as it was near the Leon River.

DINGLER school was named in honor of J.P. Dingler, a pioneer citizen of that district.

HASSE was named by Judge Hardin in 1892 in honor of O. Hasse, who was railway agent at Comanche at that time.

SIDNEY was named by John Stapp in 1885, who owned the store there at the time the Post Office was established and in honor of his small son, Sidney.

WILSON was named in honor of G.W. Wilson, a pioneer of the district who gave land for the school campus.

HARMONY was named by Tom Edwards, who conducted a singing school there in the 1880's, because the singing was carried on with such harmony.

MERCER'S CREEK and MERCER'S GAP were both named in honor of Jesse Mercer, who settled in the County in 1854.

POUNDS was named in honor of Newman Pounds, who operated a ranch in this community in the 1860's.

NEWBURG's name was suggested by Add Lee in the early 1880's and agreed to by the citizens of the village. Previously it had been called South Leon.

BAGGETT was named in honor of John Baggett, an early pioneer of the county who had a child killed by Indians in 1857.

CROSS ROADS was named because of its location. The Cross Road was about one-half mile from the school house and was used as a trading post in early days.

FAIRVIEW was named by early settlers because of its location. On a hill, it can be seen for several miles from any direction.

DUSTER was named by the citizens in the 1880's, who met at the store to decide on a name for their post office. One man picked up a sheet of paper that was covered with dust, and after shaking it off, wrote the word DUSTER, which they agreed to call the community.

OLIVER SPRINGS was named for Mr. Oliver who gave the land for the school campus in 1885, which was located near the springs.

HAZEL DELL was named by early settlers of the county in the 1850's because it was

located in a valley, or dell, and the soil was a hazel brown color.

INDIAN MOUNTAIN was named in remembrance of an indian fight that occurred there in the late 1850's.

PETTIT was named in honor of J.P. Pettit, who settled here on August 19, 1886, and gave land for the school campus.

FLEMING was named in honor of Martin V. Fleming, an early settler who came to this county to live in 1872, but had come here prior to this as a Texas Ranger. No such place exists today and it has become a part of PETTIT.

BUFFALO SPRINGS was named in 1856-57 because buffaloes used to come to drink at the springs.

BRIAR GROVE was named for the dense cluster of briars that grew in this location.

LAKE EANES was named in 1925 in honow of J. R. Eanes, who was mayor at the time the lake was constructed.

ELM GROVE was named for its location; a grove of Elm trees where the school house was erected in the late 1870's.

The NORTH LEON RIVER and the SOUTH LEON RIVER were named in honor of Alonzo DeLeon, who was sent to Texas by the Viceroy of Mexico in 1860 to destroy the French settlement of Fort St. Louis.

The people of DOWNING put in an application for a post office in the early 1880's, and asked that it be named Dawning for the dawn of day, but through error, the Post Office Department named it DOWNING.

CREAMER was named in honor of Jasper Creamer who built a store there about 1910, when the Cotton Belt Railroad was laid. This part of the county was settled in the 1850's.

BIBB was named by the prople of that section who made fun of the small store that G.M. Atchison established there in 1884-85. This section of the county did not settle much before the late 1860's.

DEMOCRAT was named in the 1890's for Mr. Hill, the first postmaster, who was a democrat.

WHITTVILLE was named by W.D. Sumner, who established a post office at his home in 1895, and named it in honor of E. J. Whitt, who served as a colonel in the Civil War and was a well liked citizen of the community.

SOURCE: BLAZING THE WAY, by Wells

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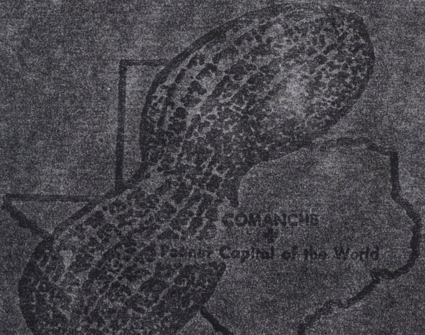
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LAND TRANSACTIONS LISTED AT THE COMANCHE COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT COMANCHE, COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

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Volume 3

Grantee	Grantor	Kind of Instrument	Date of Instrument	Date of Filing	Name of Surveyor	No. of acres
Ham, W.A. & wife	J.C.C. Martin	Release	Aug. 16,1896	July 26, 1897	Lot in Comanche	39/266

No book or page numbers listed.

William A. Ham had ½ section of land he got from the Government and he settled. Original house was made of logs on the Sweetwater Creek.

William A. Ham's children had 40 acres of land with a house from his original acreage. Maybe 365 acres on a section. Wm. A Ham's place was called the Homestead. His son George Dallas Ham's place was called the Homeplace.

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No. 17006
J.D.Ham and G.D.Ham
To
T. F. Ham
POWER OF ATTORNEY
Filed for record at 11:19 o'clock a.m. June 8, 1926.
M. A. Conly, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

State of Louisiana,
Parish of DeSoto.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared J. D. Ham and G. D. Ham, persons to me well known, and both residents of said parish and state, who each separately declared to me said Notary that they do by these presents hereby name, constitute and appoint T. F. Ham, a resident of Potter County, same State, our true and lawful agent and attorneys in fact, giving him, our said agent full and complete power to represent us in the full, complete and final settlement of the estates of our father W. T. Ham (sometimes called W.A.Ham) and of our Uncle, John C. Ham; giving him special power to receive and collect for us any money, that may be oweing us; and complete power to accept for us and in our names any property, real or personal, that might be coming to us from said successions; and to sell for us and in our names and stead any real estate that might be coming to us from said successions and to sign our names to any title papers that might be necessary to complete said sale and transfer; said sale to be made either for cash or on terms of credit, as our agent might see fit to do; and to receive and receipt for the purchase price; said property to be sold for any price that our said agent might deem adequate; giving him full power to employ counsel of lawyers to obtain possession of said property through the Courts or otherwise, and to pay them whatever portion of the property recovered that he, in his judgment, deems just and adequate; and generally giving him full and complete power to wind up said successions and sell the property that may be coming to us therefrom in our names and stead as fully and completely as if we were present and acting for ourselves; hereby fully ratifying any and all things that our said agent may do under this power of attorney and mandate.

Thus done and signed in the presence of R. R. Russell and T. C. Weir good and competent attesting witnesses who sign as such with me said Notary and said appearers on this the 2 day of June, 1926.

Attest:
T. C. Weir
R. R. Russell

J. D. Ham
G. D. Ham
P. G. R. Bell, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly
Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

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No. 17007

T. F. Ham, et al

To

George Posey

DEED

Filed for record at 11:20 o'clock a.m. June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

State of Louisiana,

Parish of Red River.

BE IT KNOWN, That this day before me, Thos. W. Nettles Notary Public in and for said Parish, duly commissioned and sworn came and appeared T. F. Ham, husband of Miss Mai King, a resident of Potter County, Texas, J. D. Ham, husband of Miss Hattie Shannon, and G. D. Ham, husband of Miss Mollie Gibbs, both residents of Donly County, State of Texas, the said two last appearers being herein represented by their true and lawful agent and attorney in fact, T. F. Ham, who appears herein as representatives of the said J. D. Ham and G. D. Ham, under power of attorney hereto annexed and made a part of this sale and transfer, who declared that he does by these presents grant, Bargain, sell, convey and deliver, with full guarantee of title, and with complete transfer and subrogation of all rights and actions of warranty against all former proprietors of the property herein conveyed, unto George Posey, husband of Miss Lena Shaughnessy, a resident of Red River Parish, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

The North Half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Sec. 36; and one & 2/3 acres of land described as follows: Commencing on the west line 385 yards south of the Northwest corner of the NE¼ of SW¼ of Sec. 36 and running East 146-2/3 yards, South 55 yards, West 146 2/3 yards, North 55 yards to place of beginning in Sec. 36; also fifteen acres of land in said Sec. 36, described as follows to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of North Hanf of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter and running thence 440 yards East, South 165 yards, West 440 yards, thence North 165 yards to the point of beginning and containing in the 36 2/3 acres, all in Twp. 13 N. R. 10 West, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon situated; said first described 20 acres of land being designated at Lot # 2 and being the Lot drawn by the heirs of W. T. Ham (sometimes known as W.A.Ham) in partition made before J. F. Stephens, Notary Public, on Feby. 18, 1920, and recorded in Book 36 of Conv. p. 295, of the Red River Parish records; and the second and third tracts described herein being known as Lots 3 & 5 & being the lots drawn by the heirs of John C. Ham in said partition heretofore referred to; said partition being made pursuant to judgment rendered in suit No. 7544 entitled Sam Lisso, et als vs. Heirs of John C. Ham, et als, on the Docket of the District Court of Red River Parish, Louisiana, to which act of partition and suit are specially referred to as a part hereof; said vendors herein being the only heirs & representatives of their father W. T. Ham (sometimes W. A. Ham) and of their Undle, John C. Ham, and recognized as such and placed in possession of said property as the sole owners thereof under judgment of the District Court of Red River Parish, filed June 7, 1926, and recorded in the Succession Records of Red River Parish, Louisiana.

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To have and to hold said described property unto said purchaser, his heirs and assigns forever.

This sale is made for the consideration of the sum of Three Hundred & Sixty-Six & two-thirds ($3662/3) & no/100 dollars cash in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

The certificate of mortgages is hereby waived by the parties and evidence of the payment of taxes produced.

DONE AND PASSED at my office in said Parish of Red River, in presence of Hy. W. Bethard, Jr., and J. B. Howard, competent witnesses, on this the 8th. day of June, A.D. nineteen hundred and twenty-six. (1926).

Attest:

T. F. Ham

Hy. W. Bethard, Jr.

J. D. Ham

J. B. Harvill

By T. F. Ham, Agent & Attorney in fact.

G. D. Ham,

By T. F. Ham, Agent & attorney in fact.

Geo. J. Posey

Thos. W. Nettles, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly

Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

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No. 223 In the name of the State of Texas

I an to whom these presents shall Come Know ye I Edmund J. Davis Governor of the State aforesaid by Virtue of the power vested in me by Law and in accordance with the laws of said state is each case made and provided do by, these presents grant to William A. Ham his heirs and assigns forever One hundred and sixty (160) acres of land situated and described as follows: In Comanche County Known as Survey No. 74 on the waters of Rush Creek a tributory of the Leon River about 6½ miles N 15 W of Comanche town by virtue of this affidavit made before the District Clerk for said County dated September 22nd 1875 in accordance with an act approved March 24th 1873.

Beginning at a stone mound in the west line of a survey made for Joseph Blackman and 638 Vrs. N of the SW Con of said survey from which a spanish oak 16 in dia brs S 59 Varas Thence west 950 Varas to a stone mound for the NW Corner from which a Post Oak 10in dia brs N 88 E 7 Us do 8 in dia brs S5 W25 Us Thence S 950 Varas to a stone mound on the point of a line from which a Live Oak 12 inches in dia brs S 80 W 1 6/10 Vs do 12 in dia brs S64½° E 1 2/10 Vs Thence E 200 Vs Crossed Sweetwater Creek 950 Varas to a stone Mound for SE Corner on W line of a survey made for Thos Blackman from which a Post Oak 10 in dia brs N 57 W 15 Vs do 8 in dia vrs S81½ W 15 3/10 Vs Thence N with said line 312 vs passed the NW corner of said survey 88 a vs vs. water Creek 950 Vs the Beginning.

Hereby relinquishing to him the said Wm. A. Ham and his heirs or assigns forever an the right and title in and to said land heretofore held and possessed by the said And I do hereby issue this Section patent for the same

In Tesfimony whereof I have issued the seal of the State to be affixed as well as the seal of the General Land Office done at City of Austin on the third day of October In the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and seventy three

Jacob Kuechler Edmund J. Davis
Cumin Gl Ld Office Governor

Filed for Record at 9 o'clock AM Mch 10th 1874
& Recorded same day to which I certify

J.D. BonnerClk Dcea

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No 223 In the name of the State of Texas Vol 1 To all to whom these presents shall come Know ye I Edmund J Davis Governor of the State aforesaid by virtue of the power vested in me by Law and in accordance with the laws of said State in such case made and provided do by these presents grant to William A Ham his heirs or assigns forever One hundred and sixty (160) acres of land situated and described as follows In Comanche County Known as Survey No 74 on the waters of Rush Creek a tributary of the Leon River about 6½ miles N 15 W of Comanche town by virtue of the affidavit made before the District Clerk for said County dated September 22nd 1873 in accordance with an act approved March 24th 1873 Beginning at a stone mound in the west line of a survey made for Joseph Blackman and 638 Vrs N of the SW Cor of said survey from which a Spanish oak 16 in dia brs S 59 Varas Thence West 950 Varas to a Stone mound for the N W Corner from which a Post oak 10 in dia brs N 88 E 7 Vs do 8 in dia brs S 5 W 25 Vs Thence S 950 Vrs to a Stone mound on the point of a hill from which a Live oak 12 inches in dia brs S 80 W 1 6/10 Vs do 12 in dia brs S 64½ E 1 7/10 Vs Thence E 200 Vs Crossed Sweet water Creek 950 Varas to a Stone mound for S E Corner on W line of a survey made for Thos Blackman from which a Post oak 10 in dia brs N 57 W 15 Vs do 8 in dia brs S 81½ W 15 3/10 Vs Thence N with said line 312 Vs passed the N W Cor of said Survey 880 Vs Sweet water Creek 950 Vs the Beginning

Hereby relinquishing to him the said Wm A Ham and his heirs or assigns forever all the right and title in and to said land heretofore held and possessed by the said and I do hereby issue this Letter patent for the same

In testimony whereof I have caused the seal of the State to be affixed as well as the seal of the General Land office done at the City of Austin on the third day of October In the Year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and seventy three

Jacob Kuechler
Comr Gl Ld Office

Edmund J Davis
Governor

Filed for Record at 9 ok A M Mch 10th 1874 & Recorded same day to which I certify

J O Bonner Clk D C C C

H.R. MARTIN TO W. HAM

State of Texas) Know all men by these presents that I H.R. Martin of the
Comanche County) County and State aforesaid acknowledge myself held and firmly bound unto W.A. Ham of said State and County in the sum of one Hundred and fifty Dollars for the payment of which well and truly to be made I bind myself my heirs executors and administrators firmly by these presents The Condition of the above obligation is such that if I shall as soon as I obtain a patent therefor made or caused to be made to the said W.A. Ham a good and sufficient warranty Deed in fee simple to 73 acres located by virtue of part of Land Certificate No. 70 Issued to the heirs of Benj. M. Clapton deed by the Board of Land Commissioners of Matagorda County on the 5th Dec 1853 said 73 acres hearing (having) to be Conveyed is situated in Comanche County Texas and adjoins as survey of W.A. Hams on the West. Now Should I well and truly make said deed to W.A. Ham where I obtain the patent for the same then this bond to be void otherwise to remain in full fore and effect this 24th June 1876

H.R. Martin (Seal)

State of Texas) Before me J.D. Bonner Clerk of the County Court in and for
Comanche County) said County personally appeared H.R. Martin who is to me well known and acknowledged that he signed executed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing for the purposes and considerations therein specifide

Witness my official seal and signature at my office in the town of Comanche this 24 day of June AD 1876 (LS) J.D. Bonner Clk C Co Tx

Filed for Record at 9 o/c AM the 23 day of March 1878
Recorded same day J.D. Bonner CLK

State of Texas } Know all men by these presents that I H R
Camanche County } Martin of the County and State aforesaid acknowledge myself held and firmly bound unto W. A. Ham of said State and County in the sum of one Hundred and fifty Dollars for the payment of which well and truly to be made I bind myself my heirs executors and administrators firmly by these presents. The Condition of the above obligation is such that if I shall as soon as I obtain a Patent therefor made or Caused to be made to the said W. A. Ham a good and sufficient Warranty Deed in fee simple to 73 acres located by virtue of part of Land Certificate No 70 Issued to the Heirs of Benj M. Clopton decd by the Board of Land Commissioners of Matagorda County on the 5th Decr 1853 Said 73 acres herein to be Conveyed is Situated in Camanche County Texas and adjoins a Survey of W. H. Hams on the West. Now Should I well and truly make said deed to W H Ham when I obtain the Patent for the same then this bond to be void otherwise to remain in full fore and effect this 24th June 1876

H. R. Martin (seal)

The State of Texas } Before me J D Banner Clerk of the County
Camanche County } Court in and for said County personally appeared H R Martin who is to me well Known and acknowledged that he signed executed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing for the purposes and Consideration therein specifide

Witness my official Seal and Signature at my office in the town of Camanche this 24 day of June A.D. 1876 (LS) J D Banner Clk C.C. Co

Filed for Record at 4 o'c a.m. the 23 day of March 1878 & Recorded same day

J. D. Banner Clk

State of Texas }
Comanche County } Before me J. D. Bonner County Clerk in & for said County, personally appeared H.R. Martin who is to me well known party to the above instrument of writing, bearing date the 10th day of Jany AD. 1880. and acknowledged that he signed, sealed, and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing for the purposes and consideration therein stated. Witness my official seal & signature at office in the Town of Comanche this 10th day of Jany 1880. J. D. Bonner Co. Clk Comanche County Texas

L.S.

Filed for Record Jany 10th 1880 at 2 o'clock P.m
& Recorded Jany 12th 8 o'clock A.m 1880.
J. D. Bonner Clk. C. C. Tex

The State of Texas) Know all men by these presents that I. H.R. Martin of
Comanche County) the County of Comanche and State aforesaid in consideration of the sum of Seventy three Dollars to me paid by W,A. Ham of the County of Comanche and State of Texas as the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained sold and conveyed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and conveyed unto the said W A Ham his heirs and assigns the following described property to wit. Sixty nine acres of Land in Comanche County known as survey No. 239 on the waters of Sweetwater Creek granted to the heirs of Benjamin Clapton as per patent No. 239 Vol 9 Beginning at a stone mound for the N.W. cor of a Pre. suv. made for W.A. Ham a P.O. 10" brs N 88° E 7 vs do 8" brs S 5"W 25 vs. Thence S 950 vs to S.W. cor of said Ham a stone md. on the point of a hill a L.O. 12" brs S 80 W 1 6/10 vs do 12" brs S 64½ E 1 2/10 vs. Thence W 193 vs. to N.W. Cor of a Pre. suv. made for G.W. McKinzie a stone md. a B.J. brs S 55 E 15½ vs. a P.O. brs S 25 W 3 vs, Thence S 410 vs. to the NE Cor of No. 36 made for the E.T.R.R. Co. a stake P.O. 6" brs S 7½ W 13 vs a Do brs N 78 W 4 vs Thence 152 vs to S.E. cor No. 39 said Co. a stake a P.O. 8" brs S. 78° E 6 vs a do 10" brs N 42 W 14 vs. Thence N 1360 vs a stake in E. line of No. 39 a P.O. marked H brs.S 10½ E 15 1/5 vs. do marked W brs N 34½ E 16 vs Thence E with S line of a Pre Sur for Wm Suggs 345 vs to the beginning. Also a tract of 4 acres granted by the State to heirs of said Clapton as per patent No. 238 Vol 9 and described as follows. Beginning at the N.E. cor of Pre. Sur made for G.W. McKinzie now for Jno. W. Carmack at a P.O. in S line of W.A. Ham's pre sur a P.O. brs S 33° W 6 vs another brs N 28 E 18½ vs. Thence S 117 vs to a stake a P.O. 6" mkd (mkd=means marked) A brs S 86" E 2 2/5 vs. Thence E 193 vs intersect West line of a sur in name of Thomas J. Blakemore at a stake a P.O. 7" brs S 35½ W 6 vs. Thence N with E line of said Blakemore 117 vs. to S.E. cor of W.A. Hams Pre. Sur. a stone md a P.O. 10" brs N 57° W 15 vs. do. 8" brs S 81 W. 15 2/5 vs Thence W 193 vs to the place of beginning together with all the singular the rights, numbers, hereditaments improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise incident or appertaining. Th Have and To Hold All & Singular the promises above mentioned unto the said W.A. Ham his heirs and assigns forever; And I do hereby bind myself my heirs executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend, all and singular the said premises unto the said W.A. Ham his heirs and assigns against every person wheresoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof. Witness my hand at Comanche this 10th day of January 1880.

H.R. Martin

State of Texas) Before me J.D. Bonner County Clerk in and for said County
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J.D. Bonner Co.Clk Comanche Co. /Texas

L.S.

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JD Bonner Clk C Co Tx

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H. R. Morton

(W.A. Ham witnessed this guardianship of two minors Fleet & Zeno Gill on the 14th of December 1891)

NO. 250

The State of Texas)
County of Comanche)

Know all men by these presents that Mr. Eugene V. Gill as principal and as Sureties are held and bound unto the County Judge of Comanche County and his successors in office in the sum of Forty Two hundred & Seventy Dollars conditioned that the above bound Eugene V. Gill who has been appointed Guardian of the person and property of Fleet Gill and Zeno Gill Shall well and Truly perform all the dutie required of him under said appointment.

E.V. Gill
J.T. Washington
W.A. Ham
I.E. Graham

The above Bond approved the 14th day of Dec. A.D. 1891
Chas E. Williamson
County Judge Comanche County, Texas

OATH

I do Solemnly Swear That I E.V. Gill I will well and Truly perform all the duties of Guardian of the persons & property of the Estate and persons of said Fleet Gill & Zeno Gill Minors

E.V. Gill

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 14 day of Dec. AD 1891
Chas. E. Williamson
Co. Judge C.C. Texas

Filed the 14 day of Dec. A.D. 1891 R.E. Harris Clk County Court Comanche Co. By GA Cunningham Deputy

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No 250 The State of Texas } Know all men by these presents that
County of Comanche } We Eugene V. Gill as principal and
as sureties are held and
bound unto the County Judge of Comanche County and
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Dollars conditioned that the above bound Eugene V Gill
who has been appointed Guardian of the person and property
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E. V. Gill
J T Washington
W A Ham
J E Graham

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Chas. E. Williamson
County Judge Comanche County Texas

Oath

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E V Gill

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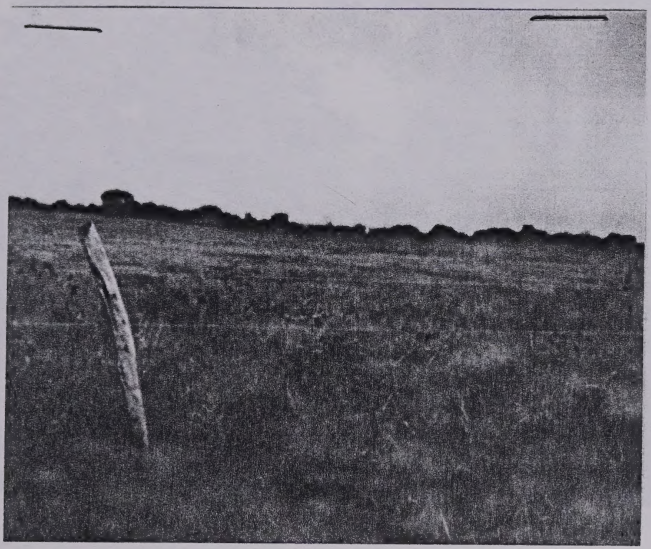
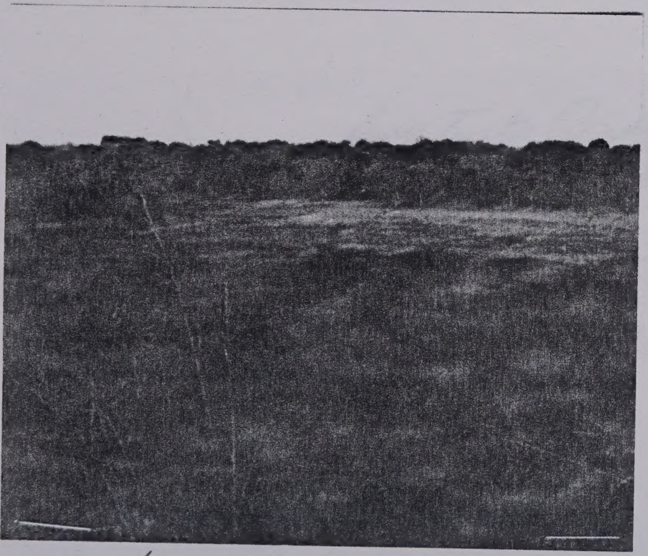
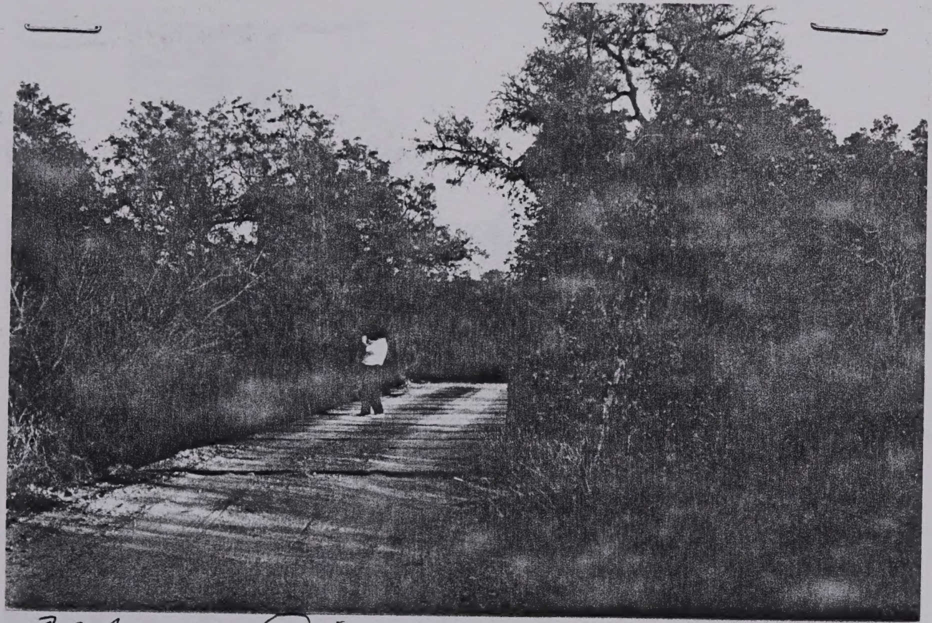




↗ Facing East

Oct. 21, 1987

Farm land area in the Sweetwater
District near the farm-once owned
by W. A. Ham & family. Located
off of FM 2247 on a county road
about 2 to 2½ miles near Sweetwater
Creek.
Comanche, Comanche County, Texas



↗ Maryalice Pittman

October 21, 1987

Sweetwater Bridge over the
Sweetwater Creek
Comanche County, Texas

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"Sweetwater Creek"

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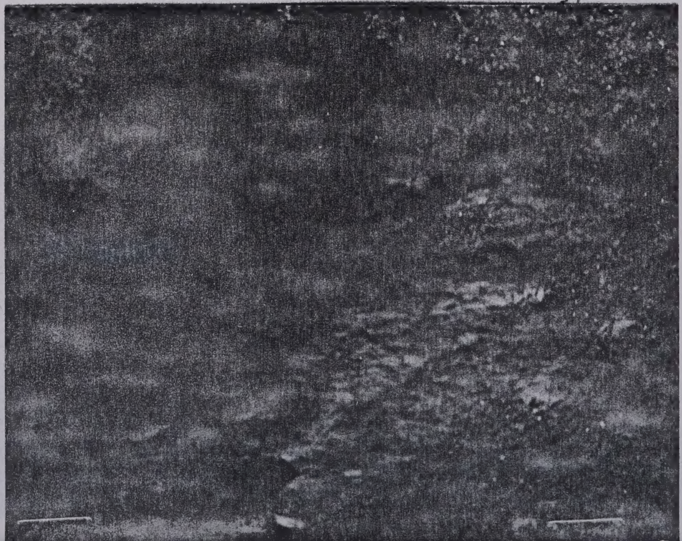

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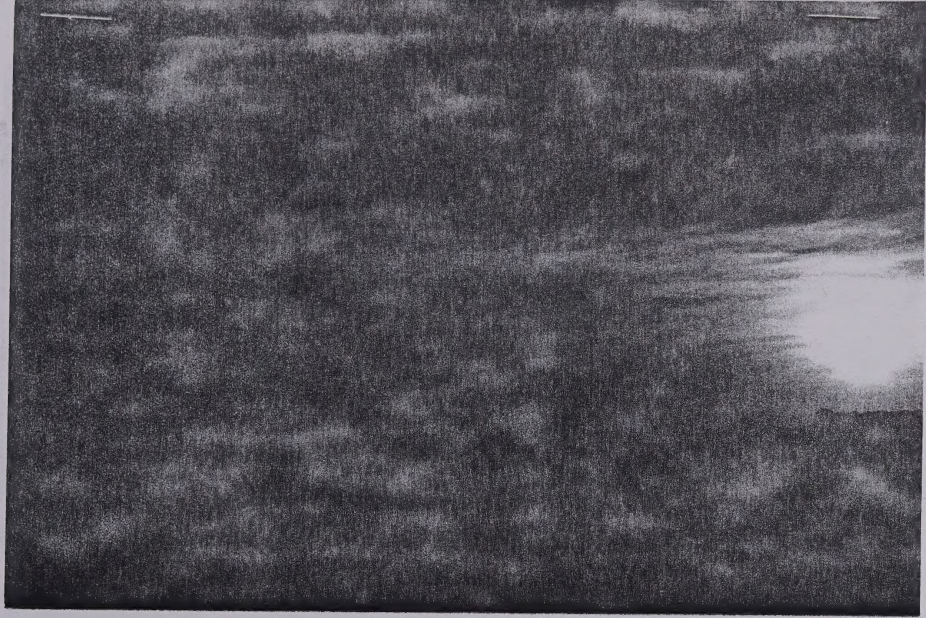
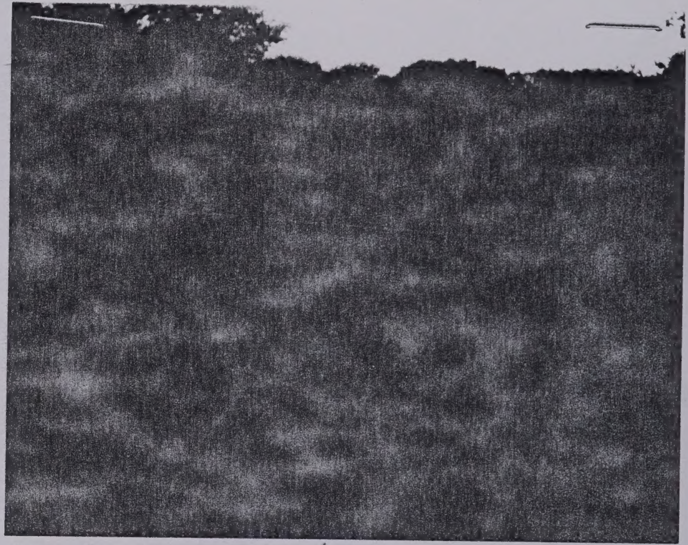


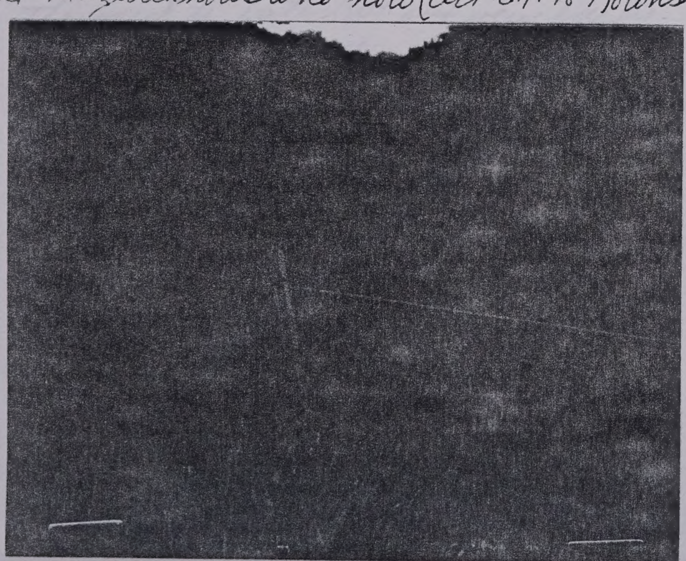
Sunset over the land once owned by the William Alexander Ham Family in Sweetwater District ←

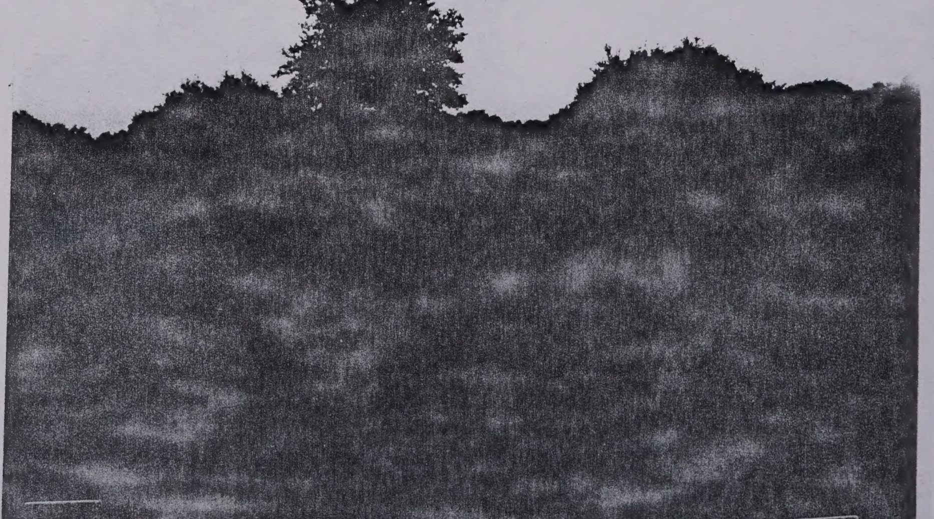
Cattle and pasture land near the Ham Family Homestead on the Sweetwater Creek off of FM 2247 on a country road. →



An old corral and barn behind the Walter
G. Mazurek house who now (Oct. 21, 1987) owns the

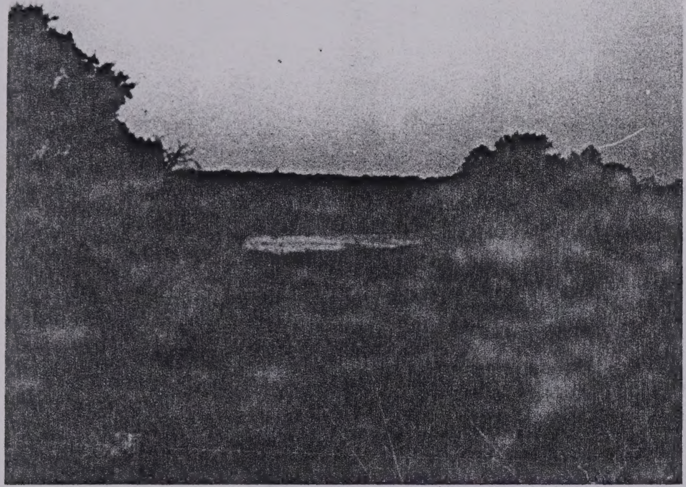
land originally homesteaded by Wm. A.
and Margrett E. Ham family.
→ Sweetwater Creek area of Comanche Co., Texa





Land now owned by the Walter G. Mazurek family that was origienally homesteaded by the Wm. Alexander Ham family in the mid to late 1800's & very early 1900's. Sweetwater Creek off of F-M2247 about 3 miles on a country road Comanche County, Texas picture taken Oct. 21, 1987

Watering holes at back of property



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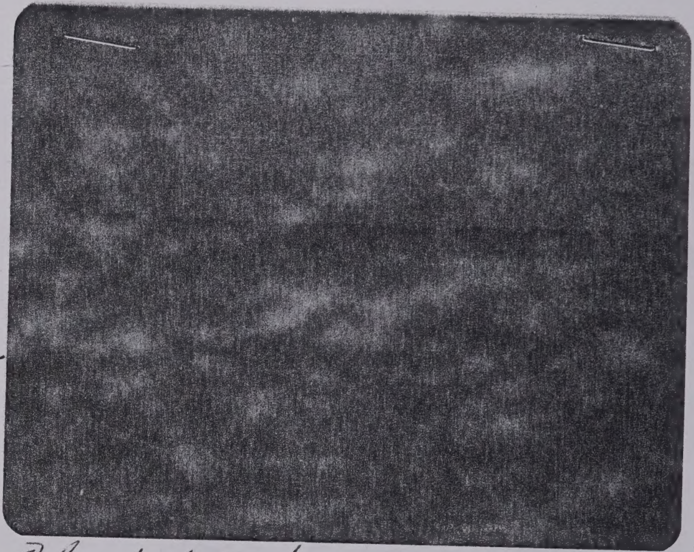

land at back of property

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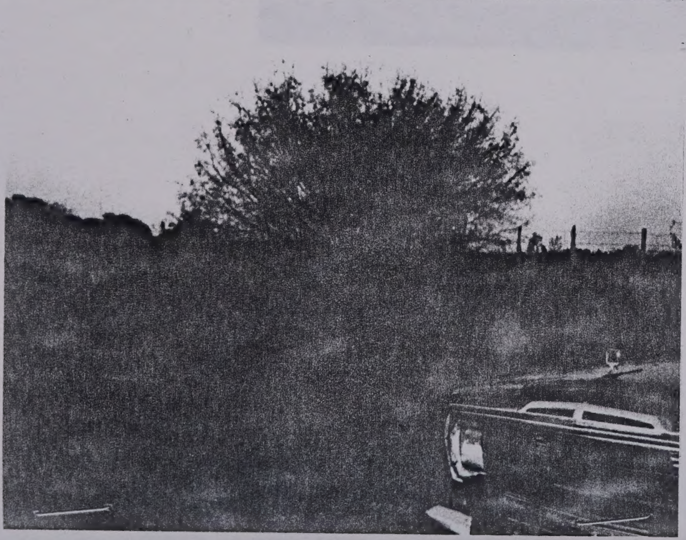
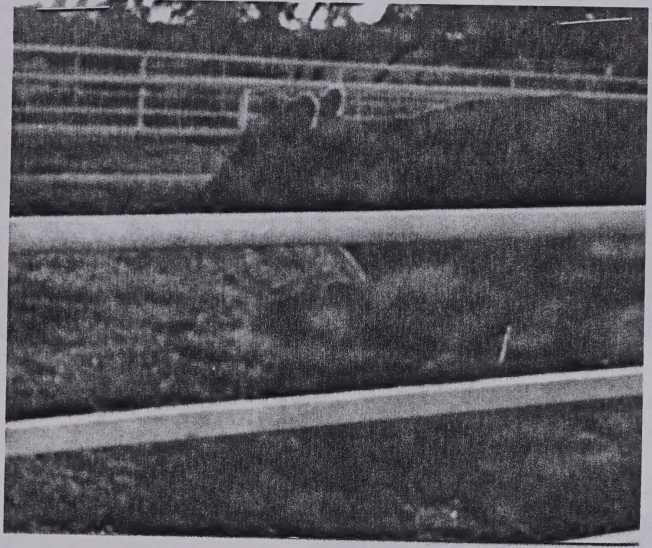
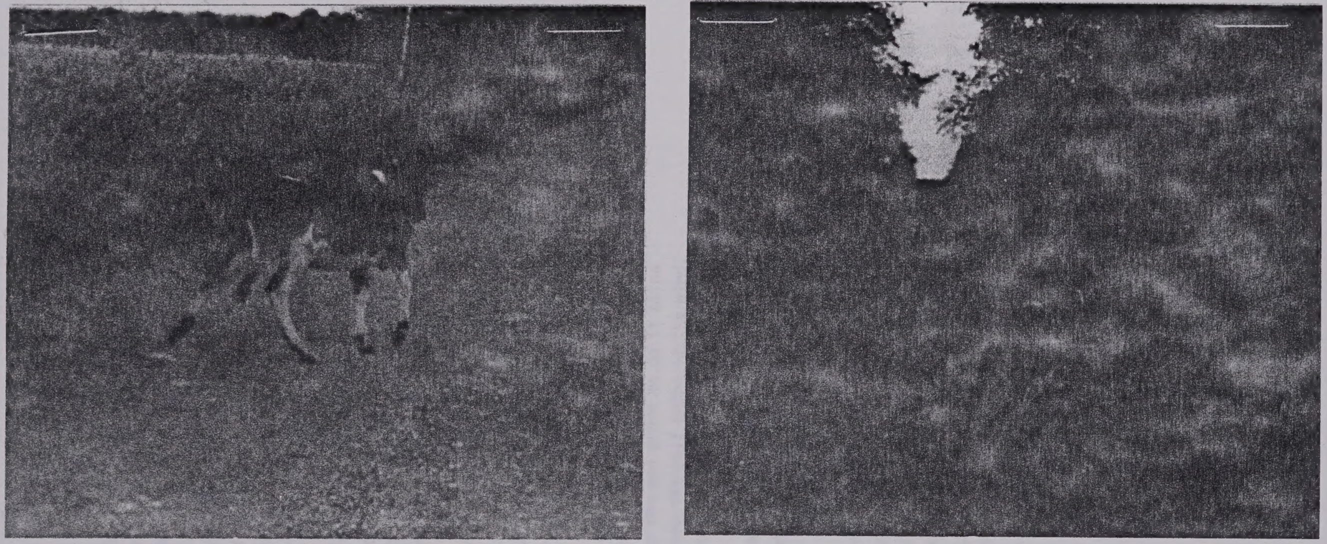
Cattle & horse
loading
trough at
back of property





Oct. 21, 1987

Cow w/new born calf at the
All Jersey Milk Dairy owned
by C. B. Williams, Jr.
Located not far from the
Walter G. Mazurek farm on
a country road off of FM2247
The Mazurek farm. was once
owned by W. G. Hunt family



A calf running down a old country road

↙ w/a old cow watching

near the old Wm. A. Ham Farm

Oct. 21, 1987
Sweetwater Creek
District of
Comanche,
Comanche County,
Texas

THE CALF PATH

by Samuel Foss

One day thru the primeval wood
A calf walked home, as good calves should:
But made a trail, as all calves do.
Since then 300 years have fled,
And I infer the calf is dead.
But still, he left behind his trail
And thereby hangs my mortal tale.

The trail was taken up next day
By a lone dog, that passed that way.
And then, a wise bell weathered sheep
Pursued the trail, o'er vale and steep,
And drew the flocks behind him too
As good bell weather always do.
And from that day, o'er hill and glade
Thru those old woods, a path was made.

And many men wound in and out,
And dodged, and turned, and bent about,
And uttered words of righteous wrath
Because 'twas such a crooked path.
But still they followed, do not laugh
The first migrations of that calf.

This forest path became a lane
That bent, and turned, and turned again.
This crooked lane became a road
Where many a poor horse with his load
Toiled on beneath the burning sun
And traveled some three miles in one.
And thus a century and a half
They trod the footsteps of that calf.

The years passed on in swiftness fleet,
The road became a village street.
And this, before men were aware,
A city's crowded thoroughfare.
And soon the central street was this
of a renowned metropolis.
And men, two centuries and a half
Trod the footsteps of that calf.

Each day a 100 thousand route
Followed the zig-zag calf about
And o'er his crooked journey went
The traffic of a continent.
A 100 thousand men were led
By one calf, near three centuries dead.
They followed still his crooked way
And lost 100 years per day.
To well established precedent.

A moral lesson this might teach
Were I ordained, and called to preach.
For men are prone to go it blind
Along the calf paths of the mind,
And work away from sun to sun
To do what other men have done.
They follow in the beaten track,
And out, and in, and forth, and back,
To keep the paths that others do

They keep the paths a sacred groove
Along which all their lives they move.
But how the wise old wood gods laugh
Who saw that first primeval calf.
Ah, many things this tale might teach,
But I am not ordained to preach.

The League is regularly titled to John Gilbert of date June 5th, 1835.

There is no deed of record in this county out of John Gilbert. Our records were destroyed in November 1875.

In 1870, the sheriff of this county made a Sheriff's deed to Gilbert Mackecnney, conveying all the interest of John Jackson in the League. We do not know what interest Jackson owned in the League.

In 1877, the Tax Collector sold the entire League at Tax Sale to Gilbert Mackechney, who immediately put tenants on the League. The Tenancy is recorded February 6th, 1877 and has been on record ever since.

On February 6th, 1889, persons purporting to be the heirs of John Gilbert represented by Attorney, Silas M. Johnson, who now lives in Beaumont, Texas, filed a suit against John Machechney, Legatte under the will of Gilbert Mackechney, for this league of land. Amelia Brichta, Cecilia Twonsend and her husband, Martin Townsend, Augustus Brichta, G. C. Osborn and the city of Austin, Texas intervened. Judgement of the District Court of this County was entered apparently by agreement in which the plaintiffs, heirs of John Gilbert, recovered one-third of the league to be taken off the East end. The intervenors recovered 1100 acres in the Northwest corner of the League, and the defendant, Mackechney, recovered the remainder of the League.

John N. Gilbert and others, then filed a suit against John H. Broocks, Jr., on the one-third of a League awareded ~~February 6th, 1889, awarded in a partition of the one~~ in the above judgement to the Gilbert heirs. This suit dated February 4th, 1890, resulted in a partition of the one-third League. The defendant, Broocks, recovering one-half of the one-third league, and the plaintiffs recovering the other one-half which was partitioned into six portions of 123 acres each. Lot no. 5, of the portion recovered by the Gilbert heirs was awarded to the heirs of Nancy Ham, a daughter of John Gilbert who married Joel Hamm. Said Lot no. 5 consisting of 123 acres, being awarded to Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman Amanda Hamm and William Hamm. From our information the only other child of Nancy and Joel Hamm, to-wit, john G. Hamm, died October 30th, 1868. Do not know whether he left issue or not.

In 1902, Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman and Amanda Hamm conveyed 4/5 of lot no. 5 to J. A. Watson.

In november 1918, J. D. Hamm conveyed to L. E. King all interest in the John Gilbert League as an heir of William A. Hamm and M. E. Hamm.

November 25, 1918, George D. Hamm conveyed all interest in the above league to L. E. King.

On February 21st, 1925, Mrs. W. D. Markham conveyed to L. E. King all interest in the above League as an heir of W. A. Hamm and M. E. Hamm.

We have been unable to determine the exact heir ship of W. A. Hamm.' We do not know whether the three children conveying to L. E. King are all of the heirs of W. A. Hamm, Mrs. Markham ought to be able to give you this information.

The land if good ordinary farming land in a reasonably thickly settled neighborhood. At one time it was covered with a moderate growth of short leaf pine and hardwood timber. The timber was all cut over as we recall, some fifteen years ago, and now contains second growth timber only.

It possibly may contain oil, at least there are gas leaks within a short distance. Also out croppings of lignite. We do not know what its present value is as there is practically no market for land in this section at this time due to the financial depression!

An Abstract of the Hamm interest in this land ought not to cost probably more than $50.00. We would be glad to furnish you an abstract of the whole league or any part thereof should you so desire.

W F Goodrich (attorney at law
Hemphill Texas

TE -
This LETTER HAS NO SALUTATION
NOR SIGNATURE BUT THOMAS F.
SAYS IT IS FROM W.F. GOODRICH
HEMPHILL, TEXAS - TO HIM.

November 22, 1918, George D. Gann conveyed all interest in the above league to L. E. King.

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Copy

September 10, 1931

Mr. Garland Smith
Attorney at Law
Jasper, Texas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 2, beg to advise that I have been discussing this matter with the Ham heirs and have some more information for you, and also a few more questions I would like to ask.

I might not write the letter in proper order, but will give the information to you as it has been given by them. First, I wish to state that they still insist that they are correct as to their line of descent.

Mrs. Markham, who is now 75 years of age, was born April 1856, which you will see was just twenty-one years after John Gilbert received this league of land. According to the affidavit made by John Newton Gilbert, which was dated August 21, 1909, he stated he was the son of Rm N. Gilbert who was commonly known as Newton, who was the son of John Gilbert, and to whom this league of land was patented: that the original John Gilbert died leaving 8 children surviving. Nancy Ham, the wife of Joel Ham, was one of the children, and Emily Gilbert being one of the children.

Further in the affidavit he says that Nancy Ham had 6 children, naming the different ones, one of whom was William Ham. William Ham is the father of Mrs. Markham, one of our clients who was born in 1856, so from that statement, you will see that it would be pretty hard for that to jibe with the statement of John Gilbert that he had moved on this place with his wife and 7 children, which was in 1835, and then, those children to have to grow to manhood and womanhood and then you see Nancy Ham was one of the children who moved on the place in 1835 and would have to grow to womanhood and marry, and then her son, William Ham, would have to be born and grow to manhood and marry and then have born to him Mrs. Markham: all of which would have to happen within a period of 21 years.

Mrs. Markham has seen Nancy Ham many times as well as Joel Ham and they were her grandparents. She still has a picture in her possession of Nancy Ham and she knows of her own knowledge that Nancy Ham is her grandmother. You will notice in the affidavit that he says Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the daughters of John Gilbert, but Mrs. Markham says she known the original Nancy Ham and also Emily Gilbert and that she has seen both of them and has been in the home of Nancy Ham and that Emily Gilbert is the sister of Nancy Ham as set out in the affidavit and that she lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, but that instead of them being the daughters of John Gilbert, they are the sisters of John Gilbert and that Ned Ham and John Gilbert were brothers and Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the sisters; that she knows of her own knowledge that Emily Gilbert was never married but lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, and that Ned and John Gilbert have been to the home of Nancy Ham.

She goes so far as to tell about Nancy Ham swimming a horse across some big lake down on the border of Louisiana and Texas, going over to see about this land in Sabine County, Texas when her brother, John Gilbert died. She says she has heard her grandmother, Nancy Ham, and her grand-aunt Emily Gilbert, state many times to her they were the sisters of John and Ned Gilbert, and that Nancy was the only one of the four children who married, and knows of her own knowledge that Emily died an old maid.

They state that Lauranah Rankin, Mary Harris, Salina Ables, Frances Ables, Randall Newton Gilbert and David W. Gilbert must have been from a different set of Gilberts because they know they are not in any way connected with Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert, the original sisters of John Gilbert.

Thomas F. Ham one of these parties, states that he has been to the grave of his grandmother and that he can go there again and that the tombstone will show when she was born and when she died.

Further, concerning this affidavit, I have in my possession a letter written by Mrs. Annie Chapman and Mrs. Mary Arthur, written to Tom Ham and dated May 1, 1919, which is in part as follows:

" You asked us about Uncle John and Uncle Ned Gilbert if they were ~~bx~~ bachelors. ~~andxbothxdied~~ Yes, they were both bachelors and both died rich and had no heirs except one sister, you grandmother Ham, your fathers mother, and when she died it fell to us and when we die it will all belong to brother William, your father, and when he dies, it belongs to you and I think you should have it........ Uncle John Gilbert had a league of land that I know of in Sabine County and you all should have it. Uncle Ned Gilberts land was in Llana..."

She also stated in this letter something about the instance I have already told you about as to grandmother Ham swimming a horse across a lake to see about a league of land.

You will notice in that judgement taken in 1890 where Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham and William Ham were all parties to this suit and survey # 5 was set apart to them. They say that they can prove beyond a doubt that Julia Vickers and Amanda Ham died many years before this suit was filed and could not have been parties to the suit. You will notice also that affidavit it states that Frances Ables had no child or children by her first ~~x~~ husband but that after his death she married J. C. Nelson in 1889 and in a copy of this judgment you sent me dated September term, 1890 W. H. Nelson was a party to that suit and at that time Frances Nelson herself must have been living.

In the suit of Gilbert, et al, vs. Macknechney, No. 1153 Frances M. Deed, _. H. Nelson and Virginia Tilley were the sole heirs at law of Frances Nelson, nee Tilley.

I think you will find from the information I have here that this suit was filed on February 6, 1689, which date shows that the suit was filed the same year that Frances Ables married J. C. Nelson, consequently, W. H. Nelson, according to that affidavit and the true facts, could not have been born.

You state in your letter that you found powers of attorney made to John H. Brooks and Silas H. Johnson coupled with one-half interest from different parties, including Nancy Ham, through whom we claim we will inherit, but you do not state the date of those instruments, and consequently, we are unable to state whether or not they actually executed those powers of attorney. You state also that you find powers of attorney from Mary Arthur and Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham, Julia Vickers and William P. Carter with power to sell on June 22, 1901. Of course we cannot state right at this time as to Annie Chapman and Mary Arthur but we do say that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers did not execute such power of attorney because we will be able to show that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers died long prior to that time and even before the suit was filed in 1890. I would suggest that you please get the dates of the powers of attorney from Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert in order that we might see the exact date and can prove the date of their deaths.

Please see also the deed from G. D. Ham and J. D. Ham and find out if they transferred all of their interest in this land or whether it refers to sub-division 5 thereof. The deed was made to Kee King.

In connection with this same matter, we can show that John Gilbert came from Duck County, Tennessee and never came from the North as indicated. After going over these matters again as to this information, see what you think about the situation and see if you think it would be a different proposition if we were able to prove the things they claim they can.

After you have done this, please let me hear from you further and I will try to get any additional information you think advisable.

Yours very truly,

E. O. Northcutt

From a letter written to Willie Brown from Aunt Fern Kent. The letter had no date but envelope was mailed on Nov. 13, 1987.

Later 3:30 A.M.
Willie Lee I noticed on Geo Dallas Hams birth certificate that his mother Margaret Emely Martin was born in Nunnan. There is a town about 20 or so miles from Atlanta Georgia by the name of Newnan. Do you think Newnan was maybe mispelled. I don't find a Nunnan on the Geo. map. Have you checked it out. Papa said she was born about 20 mi. from Atlanta.

I always though Grandma Ham was born near AtlantaGeo in a sm. town about 20 miles from Atlanta. Papa told me this but the records show otherwise except on pops birth certificate. Have you checked Macon and Rome for her family records.

Fern Kent is the daughter of George Dallas Ham whom she refers to as Pops. George D. Ham is the son of William Alexander and Margrett Emley Ham.

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↗ From a letter written to Willie Brown from Aunt Fern Kent dated on envelope Nov. 13 1987

Part of a letter written to Willie Brown & Maryalice Pittman from Aunt Fern Kent dated Nov. 29, 1987.

Bertis Ford died over a year ago. I talked to Marybell on the phone last mo. She does not want to be bothered. She said the house where pop and mom lived on the homeplace on the hill was the original house where all their children were born. Then later Grandpa Ham built the big house, with the porch, below the original. Grandpa Ham was a carpenter and could build furniture. Freida got the lovely old bedside table he made. The one mom and pop always laid their big Bible on. Guess I told you about Grandma Ham and the indians, didn't I. The indians took a neighbors little girl and raised her with their tribe. Granma was left alone with several of her little children while Grandpa took his turn to shop for the community. Grandma had to go down to the creek to get water. On the way down Grandma noticed the indians feathered heads in the bushes along side the trail to the spring. She got the childrens attention drew them close beside her, whispered telling them to be quiet and act as if everything was all right. They got the water, walked back to the house. Grandma had the children sit quietly on bed close together. Then the door opened and the indians filed in and sat down at the table and asked for food. Brought the dogs in also. Grandma put the food on the table and they ate & fed their dogs on her clean floor and left. Grandma couldn't bear a spot of grease on her floor. She scrubbed with lye and swept the house. This seemed to upset her more than any thing else. I always loved hearing Pop tell this one.

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Part of a letter written to Willis Brown & Maryalice Pittman from their Aunt Fern Kent dated Nov. 29, 1987

A letter written to Maryalice Pittman from Aunt Fern Kent dated Aug. 13,1980.

Dear Maryalice,
William Ham had ½ section of land he got from the government and settled. George Dallas Ham (your grandfather & m=she meant grandmother) had a house built on his part of the land and lived there with his family for sometime. He sold this land to John Ham, his brother, and moved to Delwin. Texas. When Uncle John died he lift it to Otis and Willie Vay Ham, his children. The last I heard Otis was living somewhere around the town of Comanche and still the land. Could this be the Plantation you spoke of in your letter. The original house was made of logs. It was torn down years ago. Your grandfather Ham was raised there. Your father was born there on the old place.

Aunt Fern

P.S. It could have been a section of land. I'm not really sure.

The land as I heard was divided among the children. It seems Uncle John Ham had all of it and left it to Otis and Willie Vay. Marg could give you probably more correct information on this.

aug. 13-80

Dear Mary Alice,

William Ham had 1/2 section of land he got from the government and settled. George Dallas (your Grandfather Sr.) Ham had a house built on his part of the land and lived there with his family for some time. He sold this land to John Ham, his brother, and moved to Deleon Texas. when Uncle John Ham died he left it to Otis and Willie Jay Ham, his children. The last I heard Otis was living somewhere around the town of Comanche and still owns the land. Could this be the plantation you spoke of in your letter. The original house was made of logs. It was torn down years ago. Your grand father Ham was raised there. your father was born there on the old place.

Aunt Fern

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The land as I heard was divided among the children. I guess uncle John Ham had all of it and left it to Otis and Willie Jay.

Mary could give you, probably, more correct information.

FAMILY
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ENTER ALL DATA IN THIS ORDER:
DATES: 14 Apr 1794
PLACES: Sharon, Windsor, Vt

To indicate that a child is an ancestor of the person submitting the sheet, place an "X" behind the number pertaining to that child

HUSBAND William Alexanda Ham II (1833)
Born July 1 1833 Place Texas
Chr. Place
Marr 9 23 Jan 1852 Place
Died 21 Oct 1893 Place
Bur. Place
HUSBAND'S FATHER Joel W Ham HUSBAND'S MOTHER Nancy Gilbert
HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

WIFE Margaret Emily Martin
Born 6 Sep. 1836 Place Missouri
Chr. Place
Died 1 Jan 1916 Place Paducah, Texas
Bur Place
WIFE'S FATHER Henry R. Martin WIFE'S MOTHER Stacy N. Dooley
WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

Husband William Alexander Ham (1833)
Wife Margaret Emily Martin
Ward Examiners: 1.
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NAME & ADDRESS OF PERSON SUBMITTING SHEET

RELATION OF ABOVE TO HUSBAND
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YES ☐ NO ☐

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SEX M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth Given Names SURNAME	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
1 F	Margaret Jane W. Josephine	12 April 1856	Comanche	Comanche	Texas	---------- William D. Martin	26 Dec 1932
2 M	John Daniel	27 July 1857	Comanche	"	"	---------- Hallie Shannon	18 June 1929
3 F	Nancy Ellen	30 May 1861	Comanche	"	"	----------	28 May 1865
4 M	William Alexander II	7 March 1863	Comanche	"	"	13 Dec 1893 Thursey Jane Boges	6 Sept 1932
5 M	Joel Henry	1866	Comanche	"	"	---------- martha Seritha Ellen Martin	1919
6 M	James Edward	9 March 1868	Comanche	"	"	----------	19 march 1868
7 F	Martha Jane	21 April 1869	Comanche	"	"	---------- Jessie Martin	3 April
8 M	Thomas Franklin	22 1871	Comanche	"	"	6 Feb 1896 Mary Elizabeth King	26 Aug 1957
9 M	George Dallas	17 Aug 1874	Comanche	"	"	7 Feb 1896 Marie Lorene Gibbs	2 Sept 1947
10 M	Luther E.	11 June 1877	Comanche	"	"	----------	14 Dec 1888
11 M	Charles David	21 Jan 1881	Comanche	"	"	----------	11 Nov 1919

LDS ORDINANCE DATA

	BAPTIZED (Date)	ENDOWED (Date)	SEALED (Date and Temple) WIFE TO HUSBAND
HUSBAND			
WIFE			SEALED (Date and Temple) CHILDREN TO PARENTS

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGES

NECESSARY EXPLANATIONS

Some information on this sheet is incorrect

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Genealogical Data For Husband

HUSBAND William Alexander Ham
Birth May 1 - 1833 Place [illegible]
*Chr. Place
Death [illegible] 21-1893 Place Comanche [illegible]
Burial Place
Father Joel W. Ham Mother‡ Nancy [illegible]
Married January 22 - 1852 Place
¶Other Wives (if any)

Genealogical Data For Wife

WIFE Margaret Emily Martin
Birth September 6 - 1836 Place Missouri
*Chr. Place
Death January 1 - 1916 Place [illegible] Texas
Burial Place Comanche Texas
Father Henry M. Martin Mother‡ Sally M. [illegible]
¶Other Hus. (if any)

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	5 Joel Henry	1866	"	"	
	6 James Edward	9 March 1868	"	"	
	7 Martha Jane	21 [illegible]	"	"	
	8 Thomas [illegible]	22 Dec 1871	"	"	
	9 George Walker	17 Aug 187[illegible]	"	"	
	10 Luther E.	11 June 1877	"	"	
	11 Charles David	21 Jan 1881	"	"	
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From letter to Willie Brown + Mayalice Pittman from Fern Kent dated Nov. 29th 1987

*Christening date requested only in lieu of birth date (not L.D.S. Church Blessing). ‡List complete maiden name for all females.
¶List other wives or husbands in order of marriage.

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usband (WILL) WILLIAM D. MARKHAM School Teacher =Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

ORN Ca. 1850 PLACE North Carolina

HR. PLACE

ARR. 13 Oct 1874 Tuesday PLACE Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. A Pg. 160 1856-1872)

IED PLACE Probably Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

UR. PLACE Probably Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

USBAND'S ATHER Born in North Carolina MOTHER Born in North Carolina

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife MARY JOSEPHINE (MARGARET JANE W. JOSEPHINE) HAM

ORN 12 Apr 1856 Saturday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Tx.

HR. PLACE

IED 26 Apr 1932 Monday PLACE Probably Amarillo, Potter County, Texas (76 yrs. 8 mons. 14 days)

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EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEA
M	William N.	Ca. 1876			Texas		
F	Viola	Ca. 1878			Texas		
F	Maggie	(Willie believes that Viola & Maggie are one & the same person)				Tom Rowe	
F	Chloe	Ca. 1879			Texas	George Rowe	
M	Homer					Helen	
M	Heber					Lora	
F	Ollie or Allie					John Wright	
M	Joe		Willie believes that Joe & William are one & the same person. If so, it is possible he also could be Homer or Heber.				

Where did we get the original names from?

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OTHER MARRIAGE

CENSUS REPORTS

1860===Natchitoches Parish Louisiana Post Office-Natchitoches
Taken 22 Oct. 1860 by F.W. Thomas
Pg. Dwelling #1343 Family #1341 Shows Josephine Ham, age 4 yrs., white female born in Texas living w/parents Wm. & Margerett Ham & a brother named John D.

1870===Comanche County, Texas Post Office-Comanche
Taken 29 Oct. 1870
pg. 23 or 189 Dwelling #166 Family #183 Shows Josephine Ham, age 15 yrs., white female born in Texas living w/parents William & Margret Ham & brothers John, William, Joel & a sister named Martha J.

1880===Comanche County, Texas
Taken 2nd & 3rd of 1880 by Thomas O. Moore Sheet 2 Enumeration #31 4th District
Pg 102 Dwelling #34 Family #34

Markham,	Mary J.	F	24	Wife	Married	Keeping House	B-Texas
Markham,	Wm. D.	M	30	Head	Married	Teacher	N.C.
	Wm. N.	M	4	Son	Single		Texas
	Viola	F	2	Daug	Single		Texas
	Chloe	F	1	Daug	Single		Texas

1850 - [✓ 1860] FEDERAL CENSUS DATA
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Surnames searched for:
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POST OFFICE- NATCHITOCHES

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				MARGERETT	23	F	W				TENN.				
				JOSEPHINE	4	F	W				TEX.				
				JOHN D.	2	M	W				TEX.				

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1860 - Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana

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3			Henry [illegible]	17	M	/				[illegible]
4			Geo. W. [illegible]	[illegible]	M	/	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5	1341	1341	[illegible] K. [illegible]	[illegible]	M					[illegible]
6			Susan "	[illegible]	F					[illegible]
7			Walter "	14	M	/				[illegible]
8			Wm. [illegible] "	12	M	/				[illegible]
9			Geo. C. "	8	M	/				[illegible]
10			Eleanor "	6	F					[illegible]
11			Adele "	4	F					[illegible]
12			Sardenia K. "	3	M	/				[illegible]
13	1342	1342	Josl. W. [illegible]	55	M	/	Planter	1500	100	[illegible]
14			Nancy "	48	F					[illegible]
15			Mary "	19	F					[illegible]
16			Edward "	17	M	/				[illegible]
17			Isabella A. "	16	F					[illegible]
18			Amanda "	14	F					Texas
19	1343	1343	Wm. Hance	26	M	/	Laborer		50	[illegible]
20			Margarett "	23	F					[illegible]
21			Josephine "	2	F					Texas
22			John S. "	2	M	/				Texas
23	1344	1344	Isaac A. King	29	M	/	Planter	1000	75	[illegible]
24			G. K. "	27	F					[illegible]
25			Wm. J. "	7	M	/				[illegible]
26	1345	1345	James B. Porter	39	M	/	Planter	5000	6000	[illegible]
27			Margaret "	38	F					Miss
28			Martha J. "	14	F					Miss
29			Margaret E. "	12	F					Texas
30			Mary B. "	11	F					[illegible]
31			Francis J. "	8	M					[illegible]
32			James B. "	1	M	/				[illegible]

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Notes: COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS
POST OFFICE – COMANCHE
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Place of Enumeration:

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			JOEL	6	M	W				TEXAS									
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176	177	Scott [illegible]	35	M	W	Farming			Indiana						/	/		/
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		Henry	5	M	W				"					/	/	/		
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		Wm. A.	35	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	26	M	W	Working on Farm			[illegible]						/	/		
		Joseph F.	15	M	W				"					/		/		
		Mary E.	14	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible] J.	13	M	W				Texas					/		/		
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		Robert J. H.	30	M	W	Farm Labor			Arkansas									/
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		[illegible]	12	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	11	F	W				"					/	/	/		
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		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			[illegible]						
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		Robert J.	1	M	W				Texas									
176	183	[illegible] William	34	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri							/		
		Josephine	13	F	W				Texas					/		/		
		John	[illegible]	M	W				"					/		/		
		William	9	M	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	6	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

1880 CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

(For those who use the Calendar Method of keeping research notes)

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Notes: Comanche County, Texas — Taken 2nd + 3rd of 1880 By Thomas O. Moore

Place of Enumeration: #31 4th Sup. Dist. — Sheet #2

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
102	34	34	MARKHAM, MARY J.		F	24		WIFE		✓				KEEPING HOUSE			TEX.				
			MARKHAM, WM. D.		m	30		HEAD		✓				TEACHER			N.C.				
			WM. (N.?)		m	4		SON	✓					AT HOME			TEX.				
			VIOLA		F	2		DAUG.	✓					〃			〃				
			CHLOE		F	1		〃	✓					〃			〃				

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Supervisor's Dist. No. 4th
Enumeration Dist. No. 31 85

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Chil… June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4th District (E.D. 31), in the County of Comanche, State o…
enumerated by me on the 2d & 3d day of June, 1880.

Thomas C…

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
33	33	Carter Mary J		F	10		Daught	1				at Home								1			Texas
		" Annie B		F	7		"	1				" "								1			"
		" Jennie A		F	4		"	1				" "											"
		" Jack		M	6/12	Mar	Son	1				" "											"
34		Markham Mary J		F	24		Wife		1			Keeping house											Texas
34	34	Markham Wm D		M	30		Husband		1			Teacher	1										N C
		" " Wm H		M	4		Son	1				at Home											Texas
		" " Viola		F	2		Daughter	1				" "											"
		" " Chloe		F	1		" "	1				" "											"
		Turner Wm		M	19		None	1				Laborer											Texas
		McKenzie Geo		M	28		Cousin			D		Bridge Keeper	3	Pneumonia									Ga
35	35	Johnson Rufus		M	49				1			Shoeman	2	Typhoid fever					1				Tex
		" " Elizabeth		F	43		Wife		1			Keeping house											
		Everheart James		M	19		S. Son	1				Laborer	1										Texas
		" " John		M	16		" "	1				" "	1										"
		" " Mary		F	15		S. Daught	1				at Home								1			"
36	36	Nunley Francis		M	19				1			Farmer	1										Tenn
"	"	" Jane		F	27		Wife		1			Keeping house											Texas
36	36	Stone James M		M	7		S. Son	1				at Home											"
37	37	Hart Zack		M	25				1			Farmer	1										Ala
		" Zilphia C		F	22		Wife		1			Keeping house											N C
		" Charlie C		M	2		Son	1				at Home											Texas
		" Henry B		M	1		"	1				" "											"
38	38	Parker Bryant		M	50				1			Farmer	3										N C
		" " Sarah		F	46		Wife		1			House Keeping											" "
		" " Julious		M	22		Son	1				Farmer	1										N C
		~~" " Charlie~~		~~M~~																			
		" " Bettie		F	18		Daughter	1				at Home								1			"
		" " Sallie B		F	16		" "	1				" "								1			"
		" " Idella		F	14		" "	1				" "								1			"
		" " Edgar		M	10		Son	1				" "								1			"
		" " Amy		F	7		Daughter	1				" "								1			"
		McConklin Robt		M	25		None	1				Stage Driver											On the Sea
		Ellison Augustus		M	16		None	1				Laborer	4										Ky
39	39	Stone John M		M	23				1			Farmer	1										Texas
		" Annie E		F	22		Wife		1			Keeping house											[illegible]
		Henry [illegible]		M	[illegible]		[illegible]	1				at Home											[illegible]

HEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in [illegible] , in the County of [illegible] ,

enumerated by me on the [illegible] day of June, 1880.

Written to Meredith Tierney [illegible]

Copy of Information written by Josephine Markham 1920

(Josephéne Markham sister of Tom Ham)

Why did John Newton Gilbert stop at one third league, if he had of been a grandson of John Gilbert?

Why couldn't John Gilbe t have made any kind of a statement to have acquired this league of land as the state don't require this statement made under oath?

We find where John Gilbert come from the north where as in truth he originated from Duck River Tenn.
Himself, wife and seven children come from the north. In John N. Jr. Gilbert sworn statement that he had eight children from his statement we find one must have been born since the year of thirty five.

Mary Harris died without issue. David W. Gilbert died without issue. Frances Ables had no child or children by her first husband. After his death she married J. C. Nelson. In 1889 and at that time of said partition of said Gilbert League suit Feb. 6, 1889. The same year Frances Albles married J. C. Nelson and we find them sole heirs at law. .One year later to wit Frances M. Delk W. H. Nelson Virginia Tilley were the sole heirs at law said Frances Nelson.

We find John Gilbert Jr. gets his affidavit sole by his tradition and hear say. How could he thoroughly explore John Gilbert or his family record. And at the same time never saw John Gilbert. Nancy Ham is the Grandmother of the Ham heirs here in mentioned. Lauranah Rankin wife of Harrison Rankins has no right in said estate. Mary Harris wife of Benson Harris has no right in said estate, Salina Ables wife of Ezekiel Ables. Nor Frances Ables wife of Andy Ables, Randall Newton Gilbert, also David W. Gilbert, also Emily Gilbert.

We do not know Mary Harris in this suit. We don't know David W. Gilbert. Frances Ables is no heir. Why would J. C. Nelson have any right by this union in 1889 being all in the same year of partition.

It seems that Nelson Gilbert had no right to said land nor never knew of said land until he sued Macknechny, Frances M. Deek had no right. How could W. H. Nelson, Virginia Tilley become the sole heirs at law of the John Gilbert estate. Frances Nelson nee Gilbert at that time. Mary J. Vick H. S. Vick, Marie Vick, T. E. Vick also Margarette Sullivan, Ezekiel Ables. Cornelis Cooke and M. A. Cooke,

We find that these parties are sole heirs of Salina Ables. nee Gilbert. Emily Gilbert, Laurana Rankin nee Gilbert, John G. Rankin, Mrs. OA. O. Coleman and Sam H, Rankin.

We find that all of the Ham Heirs were parties to said partition. That is all the Nancy Ham heirs, except John G. Ham. Mrs. Augustus M. Morrow could not be rightful heir.

We notice that John N. Gilbert made a afficavit to said claim. The

being parties to said partition or suit is holy untrue .

We find that Julia Vickers has sold her interest several times to-gether with all the rest.

Isn't it a fact that if John Gilbert was a grandson of the original John Gilbert.

The Ham Heirs would have no interest whatever in said Gilbert estate.

Do you know that W. A. Ham and Nancy C. Ham and Mary Arthur Nee Ham and Ann Chapman were intimate associated with John Gilbert and knew him and his brother Ned Gilbert personally, I have prove from my aunts, Also my father and mother with which makes me know these facts I also I'm seventy five years old. Mrs. M. J. Markham, Thomas F. Ham and G. D. Ham the sole and only heirs we know of.

This typing was
I cannot make much sense
out of it - except it was
Written to Mr. Markham
Attorney at Law.
John Gilbert Sr. was
according to this was a Spaniard
claimed property as an heir and
got it.
according to Land records
there was no Gilbert Sr.
John Gilbert Jr. never married

L. E. King
Attorney-At -Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6th 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham
410 Madison St.
Amarillo Texas

Dear Madam:

I received your letter with reference to the little interest that Wm. A. Ham and M. E. Ham, Children have in and to the John Gilbert League of land, situated in Sabine County, Texas. and in reply will statte that I wrote to the heirs, some time during 1918 and offered to buy their interest and did buy two of them, respectively Mr.J. D. Ham, who resides in Commanche County, Texas and George D. Ham, who resides in County of Pattawatomie Oklahoma, but I never heard from the others and I now remember, I also bought out some of the other John Gilbert Heirs, who resides in Louisiana, at that time and just before that time.

I have forgotten now, just how many of the Wm. A. Ham children there was, without going through my files getting it, from them, as I had allready worked it out some time, yes during the year 1906 I got up all this data, from a suit there was in the District Court here years ago and found that you people owned this small interest which was granted to you in that suit, but I notice that you people have not paid any taxes on the land, and that apart of it in fact most all of it is now claimed by others, I have had some trouble trying to establish the title to what I bought from Mr. J. D. Ham, and Geo. D. Ham as there are others trying to claim it, and do claim it. If you are one of the original heirs of Wm. A. Ham and M. E. Ham, I would give to you what I gave Mr. J. D. and Geo. D. Ham, for their little interest, you understand that there is only a very small interest and it is undivided, I paid to them $9.40 for their interest and will pay that for yours if you care to sell it, if not I don't think that I would care to risk more than that amount for it, as I do not know what the outcome will be in the matter, as I have never yet got ten anything out of what I have purchased of it, from the Ham hrs. however if you want that amount for it.

I will give it and take the risk as I have done in the other instances, You ask if there are any Oil on it or near it. No Man, there is no oil on it, nor near it, and all the timber has been cut, that is practically all that is merchantable, and it will probably costs as much to get the title straightened out, as the land is worth outside of the $9.40 that I have offered you for your interest, however it might not cost that much, but it could turn out so that a person would lost what he had bought xx of it.

I am therefore enclosing to you a deed made out for your interest with the consideration of $9.40 and have attached check for the same and when you have executed the deed before a Notary Public, send the same to me and upon the proper execution of said deed, sent to the

bank, with the check the same will be paid.

In fact you may execute deed and take check direct and send to me the deed it will be all right if you want to do that.

Thanking you for your favors and hoping to hear from you soon,

I am Yours Truly

L. E. King

L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there whereabouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

Copy

September 10, 1931

Mr. Garland Smith
Attorney at Law
Jasper, Texas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 2, beg to advise that I have been discussing this matter with the Ham heirs and have some more information for you, and also a few more questions I would like to ask.

I might not write the letter in proper order, but will give the information to you as it has been given by them. First, I wish to state that they still insist that they are correct as to their line of descent.

Mrs. Markham, who is now 75 years of age, was born April 1856, which you will see was just twenty-one years after John Gilbert received this league of land. According to the affidavit made by John Newton Gilbert, which was dated August 21, 1909, he stated he was the son of Ra N. Gilbert who was commonly known as Newton, who was the son of John Gilbert, and to whom this league of land was patented: that the original John Gilbert died leaving 8 children surviving. Nancy Ham, the wife of Joel Ham, was one of the children, and Emily Gilbert being one of the children.

Further in the affidavit he says that Nancy Ham had 6 children, naming the different ones, one of whom was William Ham. William Ham is the father of Mrs. Markham, one of our clients who was born in 1856, so from that statement, you will see that it would be pretty hard for that o jibe with the statement of John Gilbert that he had moved on this place with his wife and 7 children, which was in 1835, and then, those children to have to grow to manhood and womanhood and then you see Nancy Ham was one of the children who moved on the place in 1835 and would have to grow to womanhood and marry, and then her son, William Ham, would have to be born and grow to manhood and marry and then have born to him Mrs. Markham: all of which would have to happen within a period of 21 years.

Mrs. Markham has seen Nancy Ham many times as well as Joel Ham and they were her grandparents. She still has a picture in her possession of Nancy Ham and she knows of her own knowledge that Nancy Ham is her grandmother. You will notice in the affidavit that he says Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the daughters of John Gilbert, but Mrs. Markham says she known the original Nancy Ham and also Emily Gilbert and that she has seen both of them and has been in the home of Nancy Ham and that Emily Gilbert is the sister of Nancy Ham as set out in the affidavit and that she lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, but that instead of them being the daughters of John Gilbert, they are the sisters of John Gilbert and that Ned Ham and John Gilbert were brothers and Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the sisters; that she knows of her own knowledge that Emily Gilbert was never married but lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, and that Ned and John Gilbert have been to the home of Nancy Ham.

She goes so far as to tell about Nancy Ham swimming a horse across some big lake down on the border of Louisiana and Texas, going over to see about this land in Sabine County, Texas when her brother, John Gilbert died. She says she has heard her grandmother, Nancy Ham, and her grand-aunt Emily Gilbert, state many times to her they were the sisters of John and Ned Gilbert, and that Nancy was the only one of the four children who married, and knows of her own knowledge that Emily died an old maid.

They state that Lauranah Rankin, Mary Harris, Salina Ables, Frances Ables, Randall Newton Gilbert and David W. Gilbert must have been from a different set of Gilberts because they know they are not in any way connected with Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert, the original sisters of John Gilbert.

Thomas F. Ham one of these parties, states that he has been to the grave of his grandmother and that he can go there again and that the tombstone will show when she was born and when she died.

Further, concerning this affidavit, I have in my possession a letter written by Mrs. Annie Chapman and Mrs. Mary Arthur, written to Tom Ham and dated May 1, 1919, which is in part as follows:

" You asked us about Uncle John and Uncle Ned Gilbert if they were ~~b~~ bachelors.~~and both died~~ Yes, they were both bachelors and both died rich and had no heirs except one sister, you grandmother Ham, your fathers mother, and when she died it fell to us and when we die it will all belong to brother William, your father, and when he dies, it belongs to you and I think you should have it........ Uncle John Gilbert had a league of land that I know of in Sabine County and you all should have it. Uncle Ned Gilberts land was in Llana..."

She also stated in this letter something about the instance I have already told you about as to grandmother Ham swimming a horse across a lake to see about a league of land.

You will notice in that judgement taken in 1890 where Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham and William Ham were all parties to this suit and survey # 5 was set apart to them. They say that they can prove beyond a doubt that Julia Vickers and Amanda Ham died many years before this suit was filed and could not have been parties to the suit. You will notice also that affidavit it states that Frances Ables had no child or children by her first ~~h~~ husband but that after his death she married J. C. Nelson in 1889 and in a copy of this judgment you sent me dated September term, 1890 W. H. Nelson was a party to that suit and at that time Frances Nelson herself must have been living.

In the suit of Gilbert, et al, vs. Macknechney, No. 1153 Frances M. Deed, [illegible]. H. Nelson and Virginia Tilley were the sole heirs at law of Frances Nelson, nee Tilley.

I think you will find from the information I have here that this suit was filed on February 6, 1889, which date shows that the suit was filed the same year that Frances Ables married J. C. Nelson, consequently, W. H. Nelson, according to that affidavit and the true facts, could not have been born.

You state in your letter that you found powers of attorney made to John H. Brooks and Silas H. Johnson coupled with one-half interest from different parties, including Nancy Ham, through whom we claim we will inherit, but you do not state the date of those instruments, and consequently, we are unable to state whether or not they actually executed those powers of attorney. You state also that you find powers of attorney from Mary Arthur and Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham, Julia Vickers and William P. Carter with power to sell on June 22, 1901. O f course we cannot state right at this time as to Annie Chapman and Mary Arthur but we do say that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers did not execute such power of attorney because we will be able to show that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers died long prior to that time and even before the suit was filed in 1890. I would suggest that you please get the dates of the powers of attorney from Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert in order that we might see the exact date and can prove the date of their deaths.

Please see also the deed from G. D. Ham and J. D. Ham and find out if they transferred all of their interest in this land or whether it refers to sub-division 5 thereof. The deed was made to Kee King.

. In connection with this same matter, we can show that John Gilbert came from Duck County, Tennessee and never came from the North as indicated. After going over these matters again as to this information, see what you think about the situation and see if you think it would be a different proposition if we were able to prove the things they claim they can.

After you have done this, please let me hear from you further and I will try to get any additional information you think advisable.

Yours very truly,

E. O. Northcutt

Coushalla Louisiana

the 3rd and 16 1920

Mr. W. D. Markham & mrs. Josephine

My dear nephew and neice

After some time delay I endevar to write you a few lines which will inform you that I received your letter . I was indeed glad to hear from you. I was sorry to hear the death of Joel and Charley. But death is for us all The Lord has been good to us I am now 82 years old and I am glad to be a living. We are up but not well. We are on the Parish for a living at $2.00 two dollars per month and we got burnt out very near everything got burned. So you see that we have a hard time and are getting along bad.

The flues have been bad heare. We hav had lots of death tho I think that the flues is moderating a little now. We have lots of rain and are likely to have a overflow.

Now this leaves us up but not well truly hoping that it will find you all well an enjoying the blessings of God. With this I will close by saying we hope to hear from you soon.

Your dear old aunts as ever
Mary Arthur

NOTHING HERE
EXCEPT — MARY ARTHUR
(DAUGHTER OF NANCY GILBERT)
ESTABLISHES JOSEPHINE HAM MARKHAM
AS A NIECE

march 14-88

George Rowe married Clail Markham they had three kids the oldest a boy named Bill Rowe Second a girl named Josil Rowe the Third a girl Named Lila Rowe. Bill ~~fos~~ was a fine painter of houses and all kind of buildings in amarillo Tex Josil was married had Children dont no any names or how many. Lila was a Secitory in amarillo dont no where she worked. now George Rowe worked for the city of amarillo picked up trash in amarillo there was Homer Markham, (wife Helen) dont no his wifes name he worked for the city of amarillo think was a plumer tho not real Clear to me there was Helen Markham married to Lora they had a girl named Inez. there was a girl or woman moms age named Ella wright they had kids they lived around Paducah dont no the distict or any thing now these were Children of Aunt Jo and uncle William Markham dont no if This helps or not but its what I can remember of yes uncle William was a school teacher for years in amarillo

Home had children dont no how many-

a Teacher of the old schools very strict you learned or else it was said, I do no he was very strict.

aunt Jo was real sweet I thought: That is all I can add to what you have all ready gotten, will pass these copies on to Chris and Fern, you sent to copies ill waite for mine until the next time love you all lots

did you get the package with the pictures? hope so sure praying for little sweet Cindy hope she will be well real soon no you will have fun with these grand kids arent they great? I sure love mine would like to have a chance to love yours to thanks a million for this information it sounds real good to me wish I could remember more about the family

Love aunt Freida uncle Rufus

P.S. Bill and Leila were never married they lived to gether both had heart trouble they took care of each other Leila died first Bill soon after.

Keep us posted on
Cindys condition
Please

Husband WILLIAM MARKHAM (Worked as a gin inspector)

BORN Ca. 1876 PLACE Texas

CHR. PLACE

MARR. PLACE

DIED PLACE

BUR. PLACE

HUSBAND'S FATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife

BORN PLACE

CHR. PLACE

DIED PLACE

BUR. PLACE

WIFE'S FATHER MOTHER

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIE
M/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH Y
1							
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7	Willie thinks that perhaps another son named Joe may be the same person as William						
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9							
10							
11							
12							

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Husband

BORN PLACE
CHR. PLACE
MARR. PLACE
DIED PLACE
BUR. PLACE
HUSBAND'S FATHER MOTHER
HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife VIOLA MARKHAM

BORN Ca. 1878 PLACE Texas
CHR. PLACE
DIED PLACE
BUR. PLACE
WIFE'S FATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine
WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
M/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEA
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Willie thinks that Viola Markham is the same person as Maggie Markham who married Tom Rowe & had 3 children: 1 daughter named Reba & 2 sons. This family lived in Bryce, Texas

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Husband TOM ROWE

ORN PLACE

HR. PLACE

ARR. PLACE

IED In an accident PLACE Killed on the road to Clarendon, Donley County, Texas

UR. PLACE

HUSBAND'S FATHER MOTHER

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife MAGGIE MARKHAM Family lived in Bryce, Texas

ORN PLACE

HR. PLACE

IED PLACE

UR. PLACE

WIFE'S FATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YE
1 F	Reba						
2 M							
3 M							
4							
5							
6							
7	Willie thinks that Maggie Markham is the same person as Viola Markham born ca. 1878 in Texas						
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INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Husband GEORGE ROWE (Worked for the City of Amarillo, Texas in the Dept. of Sanitation as a /trash collector)

ORN PLACE
HR. PLACE
ARR. PLACE
IED PLACE
UR. PLACE
USBAND'S ATHER MOTHER
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Wife CHLOE MARKHAM

ORN Ca. 1879 PLACE Texas
IR. PLACE
IED PLACE
UR. PLACE
IFE'S ATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham
IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
M	Bill		Worked as ahouse painter, Amarillo, Texas			Married	
F	Josie		Had children			Married	
F	Lela		Worked as a secretary, Amarillo, Texas Lived with a man named Bill, w/no children			Unmarried	
			Both had Heart problems. Lela died first and Bill died soon after.				

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

usband HOMER MARKHAM (Worked for City of Amarillo, Texas as a plumber)

RN PLACE

R. PLACE

RR. PLACE

ED PLACE

R. PLACE

SBAND'S THER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham

SBAND'S HER WIVES

ife HELEN

RN PLACE

R. PLACE

ED PLACE

R. PLACE

FE'S THER MOTHER

FE'S HER SBANDS

X F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
	Had children=number unknown						

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Husband HEBER MARKHAM

BORN PLACE

CHR. PLACE

ARR. PLACE

IED PLACE

UR. PLACE

HUSBAND'S FATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife LORA

ORN PLACE

HR. PLACE

IED PLACE

UR. PLACE

WIFE'S FATHER MOTHER

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEA
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INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

usband JOHN WRIGHT
ORN PLACE
HR. PLACE
ARR. PLACE
IED PLACE
UR. PLACE
IUSBAND'S ATHER MOTHER
IUSBAND'S ITHER WIVES

Lived in the Paducah, Texas area

Vife ALLIE OR OLLIE MARKHAM
ORN PLACE
HR. PLACE
IED PLACE
UR. PLACE
VIFE'S ATHER William D. Markham MOTHER Mary Josephine Ham
VIFE'S ITHER USBANDS

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEA
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INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Husband JOHN DANIEL HAM (Farmer & Operator/Owner of a Lumberyard=1st in De Leon, Texas)

ORN 27 July 1857 Monday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas
HR. PLACE
ARR. 10 Nov 1887 Thursday PLACE Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 1 Page 37)
IED 18 June 1929 Tuesday PLACE 71 yrs. 10 mons. 21 days
UR. PLACE De Leon Cemetery (Section 5), De Leon, Comanche County. Texas
USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Wife HATTIE IRENE SHANNON

ORN 1868 PLACE Chambers City, Alabama
HR. PLACE
IED 1946 PLACE Ca. 78 yrs
UR. PLACE De Leon Cemetery (Section 5), De Leon, Comanche County, Texas
IFE'S ATHER MOTHER
IFE'S THER USBANDS 2- Campbell (Vol. 10 Page 161

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEAR
M	James Otis	31 Aug 1888	De Leon	Comanche	Texas	Lucille	30 Dec 1969
F	Willie Vei	26 Feb 1893	De Leon	Comanche	Texas	Harold J. Stockman	
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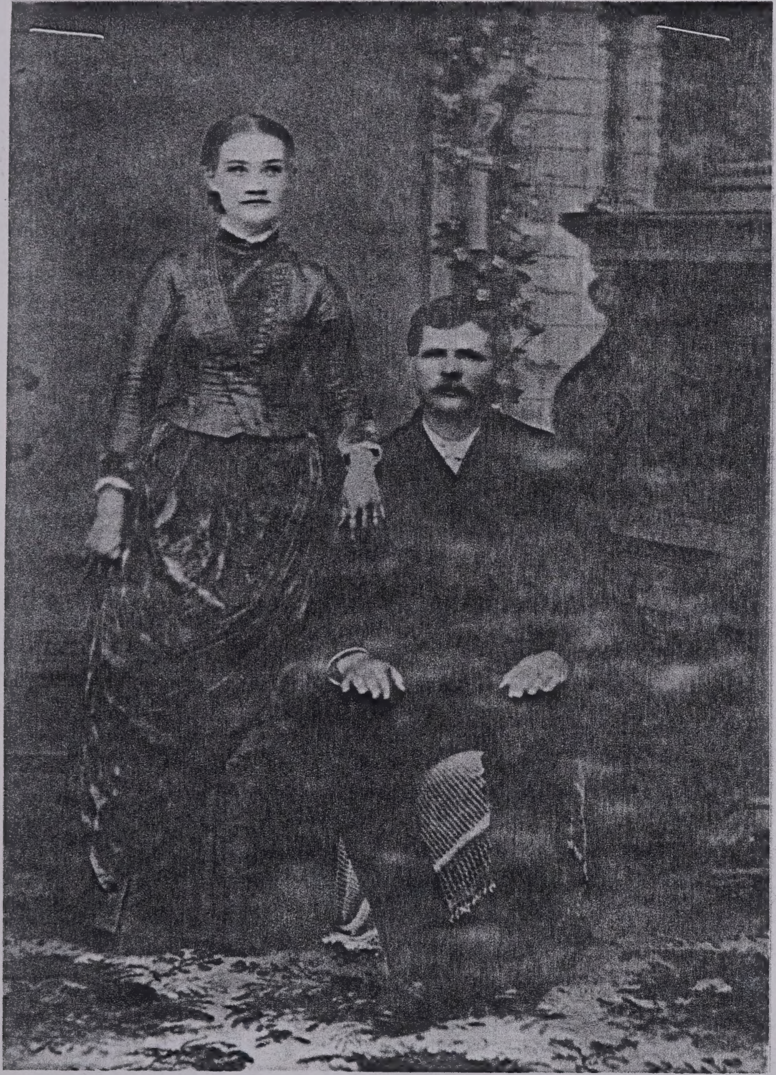
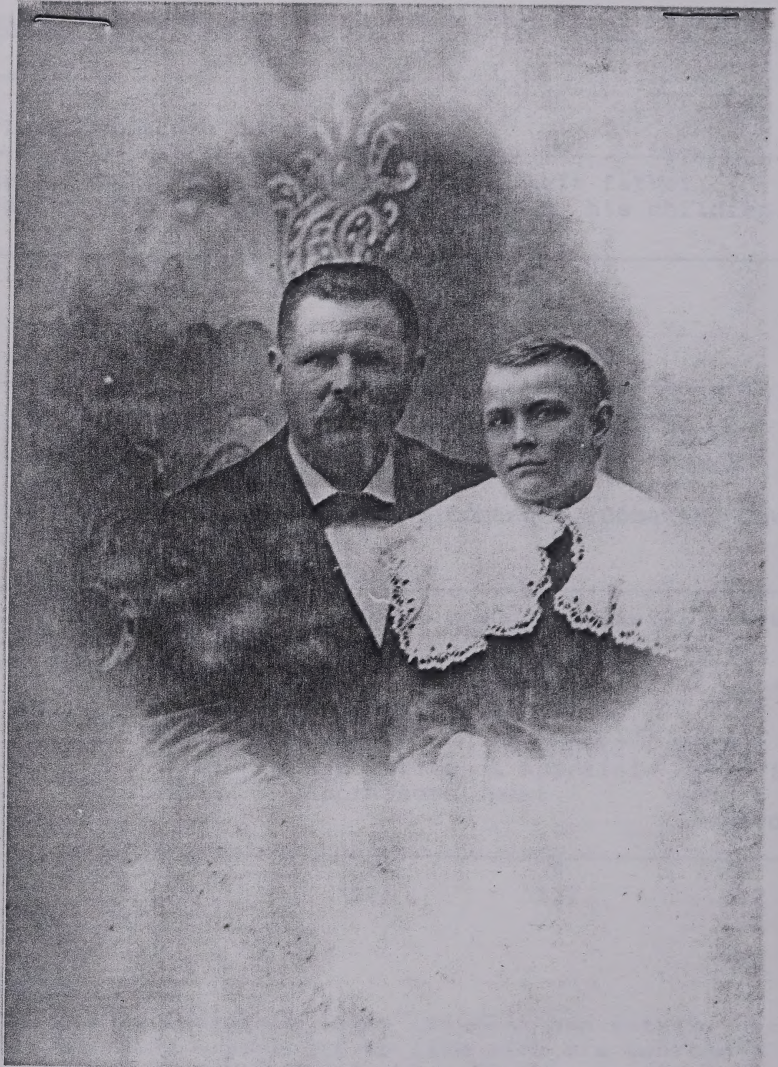
INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE #1-James Otis marr. 2nd Anne



Hattie Irene }
John Daniel } Ham
DeLeon, Texas



John Daniel Ham with son
James Otis Ham
Taken by Barley Bros. Studio
DeLeon Texas

KNOWN FACTS

John Daniel & Hattie Irene (Shannon) Ham=============

John owned & operated the first lumberyard in De Leon, Comanche County, Texas.

John bought the Ham Homestead Land from his brothers that they had inherited from their father, William Alexander Ham, & at John's death he willed the land to James & Willie Vei Ham, his children, which they in turn later sold.

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Ham, J.D.	Jos. Bradshaw	1	108
	S.D. Draper		107

Marriage Records==Recorded at the Comanche County Courthouse, Comanche, Comanche County, Texas

Vol. 1 Page 37 Ham, J.D. & Shannon, Hattie Irene 10 Nov. 1887 Comanche County, Texas
Vol. 10 Page 161 Campbell, & Ham. Hattie Irene Comanche County, Texas

Death Records==Listed in book about cemeterys at the Comanche Public Library, Comanche, Comanche County Texas.

De Leon Cemetery	Section 5	Ham, J.D.	1857-1929
		Ham, Irene	1868-1946

Index to Probate Minutes=Book 2=Comanche County Courthouse Records, Comanche, Comanche County, Texas

Date	No.	Name	Administrator Executor or Guardianship

Applicat'n for Letters of Administration, Guardianship or Probate	Notice	Order Granting Application	Proof of Will	Will	Probate of Will	Order Appointing Appraisers	Inventory & Appraisi-ment	Orders Approving Bond & Inventory
F 109	F 109	F 111	Proof F 110			F 111	F 111	F 112 113

Bonds & Oaths

F 112

In July of 1915 John became the administrator of his mother (Margrett Emley (Martin) Ham estate. Although she was still living, he claimed she had lost her mind & sent her to live with his brother's family (Geo. D. & Mary Lorene Ham) in Paducah, Cottle County, Texas where she died Jan. 1, 1916.

Information from Birth Certificate of James Otis Ham

James Otis Ham - 31 Aug. 1888
Male - De Leon, Texas (Comanche Co.)
Birth Certificate - Vol. 10 pg. 161

Father John Daniel Ham
Lw. De Leon, Texas White 36
B. Comanche County, Texas
manager - Lumber business

Mother - Hattie Irene Shannon
Lw. De Leon, Texas White 25
B. Chambers City, Alabama
Housewife
2nd marriage to - Campbell
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Willie Vee & James Otis Ham
inherited land from their father
John Daniel

Index to Probate Minutes-Comanche, Texas Book 3

Filed	No.	Name of Deceased or Miner	Instrument	Book	Pages
July 16, 1929	1744	Ham, J.D. Deceased	Bond Order Application	M	27 29 30

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Date	Clerk's Fees	Amount		Sheriff's Fees	Amount
Jul 5, 1929	Docketing	$,10			
Jul 15, 1929	Appl. for Tem. Adm.	1.00			
Jul 5, 1929	Order Appt. Adm.	1.00			
Jul 20, 1929	Certified Copies of Appl. Tem. Adm. Order appt. same Bond & Oath Certifying to Jno. Weaver being a Notary Public	3.50			
Jul 20, 1929	Bond & Oath	.25	Paid $5.85 Aug. 27, 1929	Clyde Coan	

Date	Judge's Fees	Amount		Witness Fees	Amount
Jul 5, 1929	Order appt. Adm.	.50			
Jul 20, 1929	Order & approving	.50	Paid $1.00 Aug. 27,1929	W.T. House	

Vol. M Page 27 reads==

State of Texas
County of Comanche

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, J.O. Ham as principal, and H.I. Ham and H.J. Stockman as sureities are held and firmly bound unto the county Judge of the county of Comanche and his successors in office in the sum of $50000.00 conditioned that the above bound J.O. Ham who has been appointed by the county judge of Comanche County, administrator of the estate of J.D. Ham, deceased, shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him under said appointment.

H.O. Ham
H.I. Ham
H.J. Stockman

The above bound approve the 19 day of July, A.D. 1929
Seal,
W.T. House, County Judge, Comanche County, Texas

Comanche County Texas
DE LEON CEMETERY
SECTION 5

HAM, J. D.
1857
1929

HAM, IRENE
1868
1946

In Book 3 Index to Probate Minutes Comanche Texas

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Probate Fee Book, Comanche County, Texas

ESTATE OF J.D. Ham Deceased

No. 1744

J.O. Ham
Ex'r, Adm'r (or) Guardian.

Month	Day	Year	CLERK'S FEES	Dolls.	Cts.	Month	Day	Year	SHERIFF'S FEES	Dolls.	Cts.
Jul	5	29	Docketing		10						
"	5	"	Appl. for Tem. Adm	1	00						
"	5	"	Order appt. Adm.	1	00						
JUL	20	1929	Certified Copies of								
			Appl. Tem. Adm. &								
			Order appt. same								
			Bond & Oath								
			Certifying to Jno. Weaver								
			being a Notary Public	3	50	AUG	27	1929			
JUL	20	1929	Bond & Oath		25	PAID 5	85		Clyde Coan		

Month	Day	Year	JUDGE'S FEES	Dolls.	Cts.	Month	Day	Year	WITNESS FEES	Dolls.	Cts.
July	5	29	Order appt. Adm.		50						
JUL	20	1929	Order Approving		50	PAID 1 AUG	00 27	1929	W J House		

Probate Fee Book [illegible] County, Texas

State of Texas

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County of Comanche

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J.O.Ham,
H.I.Ham,
H.J.Stockman.

The above bound approve the 19 day of July, A.D.1929

SEAL,

W.T.House, County Judge, Comanche County, Texas,

In the Matter of
J.D.Ham,Deceased

In the County Court of Comanche
County,July Term, A. D. 1929.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

This,the application of J.O.Ham of Comanche County,State of Texas, respectfully shows:

1.

That J.D.Ham is dead; that he died on or about the 18 day of June A.D.1929,in the county of Comanche,State of Texas; that he died intestate; that said deceased, was, at the time of his death a resident of the county of Comanche, State of Texas; that at the time of his death the said J D Ham was seized and possessed of real and person al property of probable value of $_____ that a necessity exists for administration upon said estate for the following reasons to-wit: That the deceased had and was possessed of one insurance policy in the Franklin Life Insurance Company of Springfield,Ill.,said policy being payable to J.D.Ham, executor, administrator and assigns, and said policy cannot be collected until an administrator is appointed by the court and legally qualified under the law to receive and distribute the moneys to be received from said insurance policy. Said policy is attached hereto and made a part hereof and marked "Exhibit A".

2.

And further that there is now pending in the 106 judicial district court of Gains County,Texas a suit, wherein J.D.Ham,deceased, is party plaintiff and C.L.Evans is party defendant,so that it will be necessary that some one be appointed, duly qualified in law to be made party plaintiff in said suit because Mrs.H.I.Ham, wife of J.D.Ham, deceased, is physically unable to attend the trial of said cause as party plaintiff and Mrs.H.G.Stockman daughter of J D Ham, deceased, is a bona fied resident citizen of the State of Ohio and is unable to be present and attend to the affairs relative to said suit as party plaintiff; and the further necessity of some one being qualified to act inlaw with full power and authority to transact the business of said estate and expidite all matters pertaining thereto. Your applicant is in no wise disqualified to act as administrator wherefore your applicant prays that citation issue hereon as the law provides and that upon hearing and proof adduced, letters of administration issue to applicant, and that all further and necessary orders be made in the premises.

J.O.Ham,applicant.

Dated the 12 day of July,A.D.1929.

I do solemnly swear that J.D.Ham, deceased, died without leaving any lawful will, so far as I know or believe, and that I will well and truly perform all the duties of administrator of the estate of said J D Ham,deceased.

J.O.Ham.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, the 12th day of July, A.D.1929.

(SEAL) F.O.Jaye,Notary Public, Comanche Co.,Texas.

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No.1744
Estate of J.D.Ham,deceasd.
State of Texas:
County of Comanche:

In the County Court of Comanche
County,Texas. Sitting in matters
of Probate. July Term, A.D.1929

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME:---GREETINGS:

Be it known, that whereas, it having been made known to me as county judge of said county, that J.D.Ham departed this life on the 18 day of June A.D.1929, in the County of Comanche in the State of Texas where the said deceased had his residence and domicile prior to and at the time of his death, and that he died possessed of an estate consisting of real and personal property of the probable value of $25000.00 dollars.

And it appearing to me in my official capacity, that it would be to the best interest of the estate of said deceased, that the following matters concerning the estate be attended to at once, viz: That there is now pending in the District court of Gains County,Texas wherein J.D. Ham deceased is party plaintiff, for the foreclosure of certain vendor lien notes, and inwhich it is now necessary since the death of J.D.Ham to amend said petition in order to avoid abatement or discontinuance of said suit to make new parties plaintiff therein, the appointment of J.O.Ham as temporary administrator of the estate of J D Ham for the purpose of conducting to a final determination, said suit and taking judgement thereon and doing each and every thing necessary thereto for the best interests of said estate.

And fur to the further fact that there is now oweing to this estate $5000.00 by the Franklin Life Insurance Company which cannot be collected until said adminstrator is duly appointed by this court, and for which further purpose J.O.Ham is hereby appointed temporary administrator of such estate to receive and distribute according to the further orders of this court.

And further that the interests of said estate require the immediate appointment of an administrator, and that J.O.Ham, who has made application therefor to me, is a suitable person to act as temporary administrator, of said estate.

Now,therefore, I, T.W.House Judge of the county court in and for the county aforesaid, have on this the 5 day of July A.D.1929, and do hereby appoint the said J.O.Ham temporary administrator of the estate of J.D.Ham, deceased, with authority and full power to act as administrator of the estate of J.D.Ham and for the faithful performance of which,as well as all duties under this appointment, the execution of a good and lawful bond.in the sum of ___ Dollars is hereb required of him,the said J.O.Ham as temporary administrator.

And it is hereby ordered that this appointment shall not take effect nor be delivered to the said temporary administrator until the same shall have been recorded in the probate minutes of Comanche County and until the clerk of this court shall have endorsed on this appointment a certificate that the same has been recorded, and until the said temporary administrator has taken oath and has given bond as required herein and as required by law;

And ordered that this appointment shall cease to be of force on the day designated for taking up probate business at the July term A.D.1929, of this court, the same being the first term of the county court held next after the date of this order, unless at that time it be continued in force by an order entered upon the minuted in open court;

And further ordered that the said temporary administrator shall have and exercise only such rights and powers with regard to this estate,or such portions thereof as are or may be committed,to his charge, as arespecifically and clearly expressed of the term for which law is appointed he shall file with the clerk of the County court of Comanche countya list of all the property of the estate which has come into his hands, a return of all sales made by him,if any, and a full exhibit and account for all his acts as such temporary administrator,all of which shall be verified by his affidavit. Witness my hand and seal of the County Court,this the 5 day of July A.D.1929.

W.T.House,Judge County Court,
Comanche County.

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Grantee	Grantor	Book/Page
Ham, J.D.	Jos. Bradshaw	I 108
	S.D. Draper	107

No. 17006

J.D. Ham and G. D. Ham

To

E. F. Ham

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Filed for record at 11:19 o'clock a.m. June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

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State of Louisiana,

Parish of DeSoto.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally came and appeared J. D. Ham and G. D. Ham, persons to me well known, and both residents of said parish and state, who each separately declared to me said Notary that they do by these presents hereby name, constitute and appoint E. F. Ham, a resident of Potter County, same State, our true and lawful agent and attorneys in fact, giving him, our said agent full and complete power to represent us in the full, complete and final settlement of the estates of our father W. T. Ham (sometimes called W. R. Ham) and of our Uncle, John C. Ham; giving him special power to receive and collect for us any money, that may be oweing us; and complete power to accept for us and in our names any property, real or personal, that might be coming to us from said successions; and to sell for us and in our names and stead any real estate that might be coming to us from said successions and to sign our names to any title papers that might be necessary to complete said sale and transfer; said sale to be made either for cash or on terms of credit, as our agent might see fit to do; and to receive and receipt for the purchase price; said property to be sold for any price that our said agent might deem adequate; giving him full power to employ counsel of lawyers to obtain possession of said property through the Courts or otherwise, and to pay them whatever portion of the property recovered that he, in his judgment, deems just and adequate; and generally giving him full and complete power to wind up said successions and sell the property that may be coming to us therefrom in our names and stead as fully and completely as if we were present and acting for ourselves; hereby fully ratifying any and all things that our said agent may do under this power of attorney and mandate.

Thus done and signed in the presence of R. R. Russell and T. C. Weir good and competent attesting witnesses who sign as such with me said Notary and said appearers on this the 2 day of June, 1926.

Attest:

J. D. Ham

T. C. Weir

G. D. Ham

R. R. Russell

P. G. R. Bell, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

M A Conly

Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

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No. 17007

T. F. Ham, et al

To

George Posey

D E E D

Filed for record at 11:20 o'clock a.m. June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

State of Louisiana,

Parish of Red River.

BE IT KNOWN, That this day before me, Thos. W. Nettles Notary Public in and for said Parish, duly commissioned and sworn came and appeared T. F. Ham, husband of Miss Mai King, a resident of Potter County, Texas, J. D. Ham, husband of Miss Hattie Shannon, and G. D. Ham, husband of Miss Mollie Gibbs, both residents of Donly County, State of Texas, the said two last appearers being herein represented by their true and lawful agent and attorney in fact, T. F. Ham, who appears herein as representatives of the said J. D. Ham and G. D. Ham, under power of attorney hereto annexed and made a part of this sale and transfer, who declared that he does by these presents grant, Bargain, sell, convey and deliver, with full guarantee of title, and with complete transfer and subrogation of all rights and actions of warranty against all former proprietors of the property herein conveyed, unto George Posey, husband of Miss Lena Shaughnessy, a resident of Red River Parish, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

The North Half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Sec. 36; and one & 2/3 acres of land described as follows: Commencing on the west line 385 yards south of the Northwest corner of the NE¼ of SW¼ of Sec. 36 and running East 146-2/3 yards, South 55 yards, West 146 2/3 yards, North 55 yards to place of beginning in Sec. 36; also fifteen acres of land in said Sec. 36, described as follows to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of North Hanf of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter and running thence 440 yards East, South 165 yards, West 440 yards, thence North 165 yards to the point of beginning and containing in the 36 2/3 acres, all in Twp. 13 N. R. 10 West, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon situated; said first described 20 acres of land being designated at Lot # 2 and being the Lot drawn by the heirs of W. T. Ham (sometimes known as W.A.Ham) in partition made before J. F. Stephens, Notary Public, on Feby. 18, 1920, and recorded in Book 36 of Conv. p. 295, of the Red River Parish records; and the second and third tracts described herein being known as Lots 3 & 5 & being the lots drawn by the heirs of John C. Ham in said partition heretofore referred to; said partition being made pursuant to judgment rendered in suit No. 7544 entitled Sam Lisso, et als vs. Heirs of John C. Ham, et als, on the Docket of the District Court of Red River Parish, Louisiana, to which act of partition and suit are specially referred to as a part hereof; said vendors herein being the only heirs & representatives of their father W. T. Ham (sometimes W. A. Ham) and of their Undle, John C. Ham, and recognized as such and placed in possession of said property as the sole owners thereof under judgment of the District Court of Red River Parish, filed June 7, 1926, and recorded in the Succession Records of Red River Parish, Louisiana.

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To have and to hold said described property unto said purchaser, his heirs and assigns forever.

This sale is made for the consideration of the sum of Three Hundred & Sixty-Six & two-thirds ($3662/3) & no/100 dollars cash in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

The certificate of mortgages is hereby waived by the parties and evidence of the payment of taxes produced.

DONE AND PASSED at my office in said Parish of Red River, in presence of Hy. W. Bethard, Jr., and J. B. Howard, competent witnesses, on this the 8th. day of June, A.D. nineteen hundred and twenty-six. (1926).

Attest:

Hy. W. Bethard, Jr.

J. B. Harvill

T. F. Ham

J. D. Ham

By T. F. Ham, Agent & Attorney in fact.

G. D. Ham,

By T. F. Ham, Agent & attorney in fact.

Geo. J. Posey

Thos. W. Nettles, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

M. A. [illegible]

Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

The North Half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Sec. 36, and one & 2/3 acres of land described as follows: Commencing on the west line 365 yards south of the Northwest corner of the NE¼ of SW¼ of Sec. 36 and running East 146-2/3 yards, South 55 yards, West 146 2/3 yards, North 55 yards to place of beginning in Sec. 36; also fifteen acres of land in said Sec. 36, described as follows to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of North Half of Northeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter and running thence 440 yards East, South 165 yards, West 440 yards, thence North 165 yards to the point of beginning and containing in all 36 2/3 acres, all in Twp. 11 N. R. 12 West, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon situated; said first described 20 acres of land being designated as lot # 1 and being the lot drawn by the heirs of W. T. Ham (sometimes known as W. A. Ham) in partition made before W. T. Stephens, Notary Public, on Feby. 15, 1920, and recorded in Book 36 of Conv. p. 223, of the Red River Parish records; and the second and third tracts described herein being known as lots 3 & 5 & being the lots drawn by the heirs of John C. Ham in said partition heretofore referred to; said partition being made pursuant to judgment rendered in suit No. 1519 entitled Sam Ligon, et als vs. Heirs of John C. Ham, et als, on the Docket of the District Court of Red River Parish, Louisiana, to which act of partition and suit are specially referred to as a part hereof; said vendors herein being the only heirs & representatives of their father W. T. Ham (sometimes W. A. Ham) and of their uncle, John C. Ham, and recognized as such and placed in possession of said property as the sole owners thereof under judgment of the District Court of Red River Parish, filed June 7, 1926, and recorded in the Succession Records of Red River Parish, Louisiana.

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This sale is made for the consideration of the sum of Three hundred & Sixty-Six & two-thirds ($366.2/3) & 66/100 dollars cash in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

The certificate of mortgages is hereby waived by the parties and evidence of the payment of taxes produced.

DONE AND SIGNED at my office in said Parish of Red River, in presence of Wm. H. Rainard, Jr., and J. E. Howard, competent witnesses, on this the 8th day of June, A.D. nineteen hundred and twenty-six. (1926).

Attest: — T. J. Ham

Wm. H. Rainard, Jr. J. L. Ham

J. E. Harvill By T. J. Ham, Agent & Attorney in fact,

G. D. Ham,

By T. J. Ham, Agent & Attorney in fact.

Geo. J. Jordan

Chas. H. Wallace, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

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Farmers & Merchants Bank of De Leon was organized Jan. 1, 1905. John D. Ham was one of the Directors. In 1976 this bank is still in operation but located in a different location.

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First United Methodist Church. When a town is born, a church is organized soon afterward. At least that is the usual sequence of events. De Leon United Methodist Church has the unique distinction of having been organized five years before there was a town of De Leon. In 1881 the Central Texas Railway Company laid a railroad through this area and established a depot at a convenient site. The railroad Company named the depot De Leon because it was near the Leon River. Records show that very soon after the railroad was built, the town of De Leon was laid out and the first lots sold. Five years prior to this, in 1876, a Methodist Church was organized by the Rev. E.A. Bailey, Presiding Elder of the Dublin District. This was the beginning of the De Leon Methodist Episcopal Church South. There were 13 charter members, 8 women & 5 men. These people planned to be permanent settlers.

(On Page 120) quoting from information left by J.D. Ham. "It (the church) was located on the North side of the branch, something near or below where Mrs. J.H. Buchan lives." Old settlers in De Leon locate this spot more specifically by placing it on McKinney Street in the approximate vicinity of 503 North McKinney. The second building was erected in 1882 on the corner of Austin & Labadie. This spot was used doe 82 years. Before 1939 the official name of this church was known as the Methodist Episcopal Church South. In 1939 Methodist Episcopal Church South united with the Methodist Protestant Church and became known as the Methodist Church. In 1968, the Methodist Church united with the Evangelical United Brethan and became known as the United Methodist Church. It is not known whether John Daniel Ham or his family were members of this church or not.

From "Patchwork of Memories
Historical Sketches of Comanche County,
Texas" By the Heritage Division
Committee

BANKING HISTORY

The national banking system was established in 1863, but only a few scattered banks had obtained charters from the federal government before the 1880's.

In Texas, the Constitution of 1845 prohibited the incorporation of banks by the state, so mercantile and commission merchants provided limited banking functions. Moneylenders in the villages were the forerunners of bankers. In 1859, there were more than three thousand moneylenders in Texas.

The evolution of the commercial banking system in Texas is a reflection of the frontier distrust of all financial organizations. The state constitutions of 1861 and 1866 inserted prohibitions of state chartered banks, then in 1874 a general banking law was passed only to be prohibited again in 1876. Finally, in 1905 a state banking system was established allowing the incorporation of state banks. Prior to that time, only thirteen national banks had been organized by 1880, but by 1885 the number had grown to sixty-eight. However, many citizens continued to use the mercantile house, a postal money order, and in some cases, would send a packet of money by railroad express to handle money matters.

A list of the officers and directors of early-day banks in Comanche County proves interesting.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Comanche was chartered September 17, 1886. Its officers and board were: H. R. Martin, President; T. C. Hill, Cashier; G. A. Beeman, L. B. Russell, J. L. Moore, James Carnes, Sr., W. O. Hamilton, C. B. Mason, Jim H. Hill, E. Greer, J. A. Solomon, M. M. Rosenthal, Chas. L. Bernheim, W. W. Seely and E. Rotan.

COMANCHE NATIONAL BANK was chartered December 19, 1887 and its original building constructed in 1890, still stands in the town of Comanche and has been preserved by the present

Farmers &
Merchants
Bank

vell. First officers and stockholders of Coman-
ere: J. B. Chilton, president; W. B. Cunning-
Holmsley, J. R. Thomas, F. M. Browne,
Greene, J. D. Campbell, R. V. Neely, James
Rotan, and M. B. Lloyd.
RCHANTS BANK of Comanche was chart-
04. with W. H. Montgomery, President;
President, E. E. Anthony, Cashier, N. E.
nier; J. F. Tate, A. J. Gray, I. G. Wyatt,
son, F. R. Holmsley, Directors.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK of De Leon was organized January 1, 1905 with the following officers and directors: R. W. Higginbotham, President; Dr. T. P. Weaver, Vice President; C. R. Carruth, Vice President; W. S. Whaley, Cashier; R. R. Harvey, Assistant Cashier; C. W. Bartlett, J. D. Ham, C. R. Strain, J. B. Wilson and W. W. Whaley, Directors.

Date of founding has not been determined but other banks were in operation at Gustine and De Leon in 1907. The Bank of Gustine advertised W. H. Eddleman, President; W. A. Waldrop, Vice President; George C. Jones, Cashier, and at De Leon the First National Bank also had as its president W. H. Eddleman, with W. C. Streety, Vice President; J. Doss Miller, Vice President; B. J. Pittman, Cashier; Dodd Price, Assistant Cashier. At Gustine, A. A. Kelly is known to have had the Farmers & Merchants Bank, and J. P. Pettit & Company operated a private bank.

THE FIRST STATE BANK of Comanche was founded December 10, 1910 by E. E. Anthony and J. E. Gray. Mr. Anthony had worked as a telegraph operator in Comanche, served as assistant postmaster, worked as a newspaper editor of the Comanche Chief, was an employee of the Comanche National Bank and the First National Bank and was an organizer of Farmers & Merchants Bank of Commerce before he organized the First State Bank.

By 1916, county banks were advertising the merits of the federal reserve system, and First National of Comance offered a free booklet entitled "How Does It Benefit Me?" explaining the federal reserve. Depositors were solicited to support the system to help business men and farmers, to provide plenty of currency at all times, and to effect a steadier supply of credit.

At present Comanche County has four banks, three of which have constructed new facilities including drive-in windows, plus every modern day banking service. First State Bank was successor to the Gustine Bank and business is being conducted in the stone building first erected in Gustine. Farmers & Merchants Bank of De Leon is still in operation but at a new location, as is Comanche National in Comanche. First Comanche Bank as successor to State National Bank has recently completed a twenty-four hour drive-in window as an addition to the bank.

In the ten years between 1960 and 1970 bank deposits in Comanche County rose 177%, which was the highest figure in the five county area of Central Texas.

fact that seven of the eight women were named "Mary"! The charter members were H. P. Biffle and wife Mary Biffle, William Cooner and wife Mary Cooner, David Windsor and wife Mary Windsor, Mrs. Mary Windsor, Mrs. Mary Edwards, Mrs. Mary Edmondson, Mrs. Mary Garner, Miss Ellen Biffle, John Biffle and R. S. Buchan.

These people planned to be permanent settlers. They built a church building. It was fourteen by fourteen feet square, made of logs, and covered with boards. Quoting from information left by J. D. Ham, "It was located on the North side of the branch, something near or below where Mrs. J. H. Buchan lives." Old settlers in De Leon locate this spot more specifically by placing it on McKinney Street in the approximate vicinity of 503 North McKinney.

The next building was erected in 1882 on the corner of Austin and Labadie. This same location was used for the next eighty-two years. The building erected in 1882 was a frame building and was built under the pastoral leadership of the Reverend John Womack. Two other buildings served the Methodist people at this same location. The second structure, also frame, was erected in 1895 with the Reverend E. A. Caraway as pastor. A brick building was built in 1917 under Pastor W. H. Doss.

Some of the records kept, concerning this building, make interesting reading and provide names of many of the church leaders of that time. The building committee was composed of W. C. Streety, Dr. A. M. Allen and E. E. Dabney. The finance committee -- always important -- was a larger committee. On this committee were J. B. Wilson, Chairman, Dr. A. M. Allen, F. E. Carter, W. J. Hollomon, A. M. Pate, W. P. Weaver, and W. W. Nance. The building was to cost not less than $15,000.00. The cornerstone was laid on May 7, 1917, and the first service in the new building was held on September 9, 1917. It was dedicated on the First Sunday in May, 1926, by Bishop John M. Moore and under the pastoral direction of the Reverend Seba Kirkpatrick.

Some changes in the church organization have been made as people were led toward a hoped-for unity. These changes brought about some changes in name. Before 1939 the official name was the Methodist Episcopal Church South. In 1939 the Methodist Episcopal Church South united with the Methodist Protestant Church and became known as the Methodist Church. In 1968, the Methodist Church united with the Evangelical United Brethren and became known as the United Methodist Church.

Through the years, church membership grew and the scope of the service of the church widened. More room was needed and plans were made to build a fourth building. Because parking space had become a problem, it was thought wise to move to a new location to erect the fourth church building. The large lot, where the De Leon High School once sat, was bought from the De Leon School District. There, the present church building, constructed in 1964, stands on a hill where it commands a view of the town of De Leon. The beautiful landscaped grounds bordered on the street side by a row of stately trees is an outstanding attraction on Texas Avenue. Its position and its surroundings truly invite all

who will to enter ar

The building
Company of Clebu
design. The sanct
laminated beams.
space for eighty
finish with the p
are a design of
Several other colors are intermingled
when the light shines through. The pews are uph
and the carpeting is red. Indirect lighting accent
coloring of the interior.

P. ~~[illegible]~~ 120 J. D. Ham

There are fourteen classrooms, a youth ce
large fellowship hall, and well-planned kitchen
entire area of 12,000 square feet is centrally heated
tioned.

One of the outstanding features, other than
is centered around the two large stained glass w
from the old church. This room is a classroom;
of its unusual beauty and size, has been furnish
for any small church gathering. Here, also, is the
and here, too, the brides make their final prepara
weddings in the sanctuary below.

The beautiful edifice, total cost of which wa
was made possible under the pastoral leadership of
John Basham. John, as he was known to most of
is a man who does not know the meaning of the
can't be done." He was lavish with his praise ar
members felt so unworthy of this, they seemed t
harder to be worthy of that praise. He had, to wo
hard working building committee composed of Tru
Chairman, Marvin Holdridge, I. C. Donegan, P.
Lucile Wilkerson, Mrs. Dale Smith, Coy Otwell
Wilkerson.

Church buildings do not make churches. Chur
up of people dedicated to serving God and th
A true history of any church must include people.

PASTORS

A church quite naturally looks to its pastors
Great leadership has been provided the De L
Church since its founding. The following pastors h
De Leon Church since it was founded: The Rev
Collard, Wyatt, John T. Owens, William Witter
F. Fair, John W. Womach, I. N. Reeves, O. M. A
Simpson, A. P. Smith, S. J. Franks, C. V. Oswaldt.
Samuel Gay, N. M. McLaughlin, Jerome Harolson
M. H. Rogers, C. S. Cameron, C. A. Evans, C. A.
Helburn, W. H. Doss, W. B. Vaughn, J. W. Cow
patrick, W. W. Richeson, Samuel J. Rucker, C. C.
Percival, A. W. Waddell, F. L. Wilshire, John A.
Wooten, A. K. Marney, A. W. Franklin, S. A.
Sharbutt, Floyd Thrash, Paul Wiseman, Roy J
Basham, J. E. Morton, Bobby Weathers, and the

From "Patchwork of Memories"

CENSUS REPORTS

1860===Natchitoches Parish, Louisiana   Post Office-Natchitoches
Taken 22 Oct. 1860 by F.W. Thomas
Pg.   Dwelling #1343   Family #1341   Shows John Ham, age 2 yrs., white male born in Texas living w/parents Wm. & Margerett Ham & sister Josephine.

1870===Comanche County, Texas   Post Office-Comanche
Taken 29 Oct. 1870
Pg. 23 or 189   Dwelling #166   Family #183   Shows John Ham, age 13 yrs., white male born in Texas living w/parents William & Margret Ham & brothers William, Joel & sisters Josephine & Martha J.

1880===Comanche County, Texas
Taken 10th & 11th June 1880 by Thomas O. Moore   4th District   Enumeration #31
Pg. 18 on left side   Dwelling #152   Family #152   Shows John Daniel Ham, age 23 yrs, white male born in Texas, a Farmer living w/parents Wm. A. & Margeret E. Ham & brothers William A., Joel Henry, Thomas F., Geo. Dallas, Luther Edgar & sister Martha

1900===Comanche County, Texas   Township-De Leon
Taken 2nd June 1900 by Jno. J. Switzer   Enumeration District No. 34   Supervisor's District No. 4
Sheet No. 4   Living on Labadie Street   Pg. 257   Dwelling #63   Family #65

Ham, John D	Head	W	M	July	1857	42	Marr.	12yrs	Merchant/Lumber
Hattie I	Wife	W	F	Jan	1868	32	Marr.	12yrs 2 children/2 living	
Ottis James	Son	W	M	Aug	1888	11			At School/6 mons
Willie V.	Daughter	W	F	Feb	1893	7			At School/6 mons

John	Born- Texas	Father B-Tennessee	Mother B-Georgia	can read & write
Hattie	Alabama	Alabama	Georgia	can read & write
Ottis	Texas	Texas	Alabama	can read & write
Willie	Texas	Texas	Alabama	

John owns his house free & clear

1910===Comanche County, Texas Justine Dist. (South part of)
Dwelling #157 Family #162

Ham, J.D.	Head	M	W	52	Marr	22 yrs		Lumberman/Lumberyard
Irene	Wife	F	W	42	Marr	22 yrs	2 children/2 living	---------
Otis	Son	M	W	21	Single			Assistant/Lumberyard
Willie Vei	Daughter	F	W	17	Single			---------
Ham, Margaret	Mother	F	W	73	Widow			Own income

John	Born-Texas	Father B-Tenn	Mother B-Missouri	can read & write
Irene	Alabama	U.S.	U.S.	can read & write
Otis	Texas	Texas	Alabama	can read & write
Willie	Texas	Texas	Alabama	can read & write/attended schoo
Margaret	Missouri	So. Car.	Georgia	cannot read & write

1850 - [✓ 1860] FEDERAL CENSUS DATA
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Surnames searched for:
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POST OFFICE - NATCHITOCHES

Post off., district, parish, ward, city, etc.	Page	Dwelling#	Family #	Name of every person whose usual place of abode on the 1st of June was in this family	Identity			Occupation	Value of		Place of birth	Married this yr.	School this yr.	Can't r. or wr.	Deaf, blind, etc.
					Age	Sex	Color		Real Estate	Personal estate					
		1343	1341	HAM, WM.	26	M	W	LABORER		30.00	TENN.				
				MARGERETT	23	F	W				TENN.				
				JOSEPHINE	4	F	W				TEX.				
				JOHN D.	2	M	W				TEX.				

Notes:

1860 - Natchitoches Parish Louisiana

1860 William [illegible]

SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in [illegible]

of La enumerated by me, on the 13th day of [illegible]

Post Office Natchitoches La

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Dwelling-houses numbered in the order of visitation	Families numbered in the order of visitation	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age	Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate	Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country			
		A. Mayo	30	F					[illegible]			
		Ephm L Alvis	21	M	/	Wagoner			Ga			
		Henry Alvis	17	M	/				Ky			
		Geo W Singleton	30	M	/	Singer	600	1800	Ky			
1341	1341	Lewis W Alvis	40	M					La			
		Susan "	47	F	/				La			
		Walter "	14	M	/				La			
		Wm Smith "	13	M	/				La			
		Geo C "	8	M	/				La			
		Eleanor "	6	F					La			
		Isabella "	5	F	/				La			
		Harden J "	3	M	/				La			
1342	1342	Joel W Hann	55	M		Planter	300	100	S Carolina			
		Nancy "	48	F					Tennessee			
		Mary "	18	F	/				Texas			
		Edward "	17	M					Texas			
		Isabella A "	16	F					Texas			
		Amanda "	14	F					Texas			
1343	1343	Wm Hann	26	M	/	Laborer		50	Tennessee			
		Margerett "	23	F					Tennessee			
		Josephine "	4	F					Texas			
		John S "	2	M	/				Texas			
1344	1344	Isaac A Gray	29	M	/	Planter	160	75	Tennessee			
		G. K. "	27	F					Tennessee			
		Wm J "	7	M	/				Texas			
1345	1345	James B Porter	37	M	/	Planter	500	2000	Tennessee			
		Margaret "	38	F					Miss			
		Martha J "	14	F					Miss			1
		Margret E "	19	F					Texas			1
		Mary E "	11	F					Miss			1
		Frances J "	5	F					La			
		James A "	1	M	/				La			

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POST OFFICE - COMANCHE
TAKEN 29 OCT. 1870

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Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value-Real Estate	Value-Personal Property	Birthplace	Father foreign bn.	Mother foreign bn.	Month born in year	Month married in year	School in year	Can't read or write	Eligible to vote	Date of Enumeration	Remarks
23	166	183	HAM, WILLIAM	37	M	W	FARMER			TENN.									
OR			MARGRET E.	30	F	W				MISSOURI									
59			JOSEPHINE	15	F	W				TEXAS									
			JOHN	13	M	W				TEXAS									
			WILLIAM	9	M	W				TEXAS									
			JOEL	6	M	W				TEXAS									
			MARTHA J.	1	F	W				TEXAS									

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1	2	3 The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	4 Age	5 Sex	6 Color	7 Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	8 Value of Real Estate	9 Value of Personal Estate	10 Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	19
161	177	Scott Ennis	35	M	W	Farming			Indiana						/	/		/
		Gilly	27	F	W	Keeping House			Virginia									
		Daniel	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary J.	13	F	W				"									
		Lafayette	10	M	W				"					/				
		Henry	8	M	W				"					/				
162	178	Worsley Mary	35	M	W	Farming			Tenn.									/
		Frances	27	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri									
		Millie	5	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	F	W				Texas									
		Rosetta	3	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	½	F	W			Mar	"									
	179	Scott [illegible]	31	M	W	Farm Laborer		240	Ind.						/	/		/
163	180	Spradlin Mary J.	51	F	W	Keeping House		215	North Car.						/	/		X
		Wm. A.	35	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	20	M	W	Working on Farm			Illinois						/	/		
		Joseph J.	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary E.	14	F	W				"					/				
		Asa J.	13	M	W				Texas					/				
164	181	Marshall Bing	57	M	W	Farming			Ill.									/
		Nancy S.	41	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert H.	30	M	W	Farm Laborer			Arkansas									/
		Lewis J.	16	M	W				Texas									
		Malacia	14	F	W				"					/				
		Martha	11	F	W				"					/				
		Wyatt	9	M	W				"					/				
		Sarah	5	F	W				"									
		Jennie	3	F	W				"									
		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			Apr						
165	182	Marshall James	26	M	W	Farming			Arkansas									/
		Olive O.	23	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Albert J.	1	M	W				Texas									
166	183	Stone William	37	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri						/			
		Josephine	13	F	W				Texas					/				
		John	12	M	W				"					/				
		William	9	M	W				"					/				
		Jack	6	M	W				"					/				
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

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POST OFFICE - COMANCHE
TAKEN JUNE 10th + 11th, 1880

Place of Enumeration: #31

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
18	152	152	HAM, WM. A.	W	M	47		HEAD		✓				FARMER			TENN	N.C.	TENN		
			MARGRET E.	W	F	44		WIFE		✓				KEEPS HOUSE			MISSOURI	GA.	GA.		
			JOHN DANIEL	W	M	23		SON	✓					FARMER			TEX	TENN.	MISSOURI		
			WM. A. JR.	W	M	17		SON	✓					FARMER			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI		
			JOEL HENRY	W	M	14		SON	✓					WORKS ON FARM			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI		
			MARTHA	W	F	11		DAUG	✓					AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI		
			THOMAS F.	W	M	9		SON						AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI		
			GEO. DALLAS	W	M	6		SON						AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI		
			LUTHER EDGAR	W	M	3		SON													

UE I.—Inhabitants in [illegible], in the County of [illegible]

enumerated by me on the [illegible] day of June, 1860.

Taken 2nd June 1900
by Jno. J. Switzer

E.D. # 34
Supervisors # 4

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EXTRACT FROM 1900 CENSUS

State TEXAS County or Parish COMANCHE Township, Ward or Beat DE LEON Street ~~Sabadie~~ Sabadie Street

Index compiled by ____ Extract by ____ Date of Enumeration ____ Publication No. T623 MF-110 Reel No 1623

Enumeration district	House No.	Sheet	Line	Names	Relationship to head of house	Color	Sex	Month and year of birth	Age	Marital status	Years married	Mother of how many children	No. of these children living	Person's birthplace	Father's birthplace	Mother's birthplace	Year of immigration	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalized	Occupation	Remarks
		63	65	HAM, JOHN D.	HEAD	W	M	July 1857	42	M	12			TX	TN	GA				LUMBER MERCHANT	OWNS HOUSE FREE & CLEAR
				HATTIE	WIFE	W	F	JAN 1868	32	M	12	2	2	ALA	ALA	GA					
				OTIS JAMES	SON	W	M	Aug. 1888	11	S				TX	TX	ALA					AT SCHOOL-6 MON.
				Willie Vei	DAU.	W	″	FEB 1893	7	S				TX	TX	ALA					AT SCHOOL-6 MON.
																					ALL READ, WRITE
																					& SPEAKS ENGLISH

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SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

State Texas
County Comanche

Supervisor's District No. 4
Enumeration District No. 34
Sheet No. 4

Township or other division of county De Leon
Name of Institution, X
Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division, De Leon
Ward of city, X

Enumerated by me on the 2nd day of June, 1900, Jno J Switzer, Enumerator.

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	LOCATION				NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION									NATIVITY			CITIZENSHIP			OCCUPATION, TRADE, OR PROFESSION		EDUCATION				OWNERSHIP OF HOME		
	Street	House Number	Number of dwelling-house, in the order of visitation	Number of family, in the order of visitation	of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family	Relationship of each person to the head of the family	Color or race	Sex	Month	Year	Age at last birthday	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced	Number of years married	Mother of how many children	Number of these children living	Place of birth of this Person	Place of birth of Father of this person	Place of birth of Mother of this person	Year of immigration to the United States	Number of years in the United States	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school (in months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
1	Labadie Street		62	64	Adams Lettie	head	W	F	Aug	1855	44	M		5	5	Texas	Alabama	Tennessee				Boarding H. keeper	0		yes	yes	yes	O	M	H
2					— Emma E.	daughter	W	F	Jan	1882	18	S				Texas	N Carolina	Texas				—			yes	yes	yes			
3					— Sallie L	daughter	W	F	Mar	1884	16	S				Texas	N Carolina	Texas				at school		4	yes	yes	yes			
4					— Frankie M	daughter	W	F	June	1887	12					Texas	N Carolina	Texas				at school		5	yes	yes	yes			
5					— Mary T	daughter	W	F	Mar	1890	10					Texas	N Carolina	Texas				at school		5	yes	yes	yes			
6					Black Alonzo L	Boarder	W	M	June	1864	35	M				Iowa	Ohio	Virginia				Salesman Hardware	8		yes	yes	yes			
7					Short Howard F	Boarder	W	M	Feb	1865	35	S				Mississippi	Tennessee	Mississippi				salesman (Grocer)	0		yes	yes	yes			
8					Spencer Estell	Boarder	W	M	Oct	1877	22	S				Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi				Salesman (Dry Goods)	0		yes	yes	yes			
9					Smith, Simon S	Boarder	W	M	Mar	1874	26	S				Mississippi	Georgia	Alabama				salesman (Dry Goods)	0		yes	yes	yes			
10					Parks, Clyde	Boarder	W	M	June	1871	28	S				Texas	Texas	Texas				Photographer	0		yes	yes	yes			
11					Spencer Emmett	Boarder	W	M	Sep	1879	20	S				Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi				Salesman (dry goods)	4		yes	yes	yes			
12			63	65	Harris John	head	W	M	July	1857	42	M	12			Texas	Tennessee	Georgia				Merchant (Lumber)	0		yes	yes	yes	O	F	H
13	Houston St				— Hattie	wife	W	F	Jan	1868	32	M	12	2	2	Alabama	Alabama	Georgia							yes	yes	yes			
14					— Ottis James	son	W	M	Aug	1888	11					Texas	Texas	Alabama				at school		6	yes	yes	yes			
15					— Willie V	daughter	W	F	Feb	1893	7					Texas	Texas	Alabama				at school		6						
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Thirteenth Census Of The United States (1910 Census)

State TEXAS County COMANCHE Township or other Division of County Justice Dist. (South part of)

Enumeration Date ______ Roll ______ Sheet ______ Dist. ______

Form C10
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	LOCATION			NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION							NATIVITY			
Line	House number city or town	Number of dwelling house	Number of family	of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the country. Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Line
1		57	162	HAM, J.D.	HEAD	M	W	52	M	22			TEXAS	TENN.	MISSOURI	1
2				IRENE	WIFE	F	W	42	M	22	2	2	ALABAMA	U.S.	U.S.	2
3				OTIS	SON	M	W	21	S				TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	3
4				WILLIE VEI	DAUG.	F	W	17	S				TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	4
5				HAM, MARGARET	MOTHER	F	W	73	WID.				MISSOURI.	SO. CARO.	GEORGIA	5
6																6
7																7
8																8

	CITIZENSHIP			OCCUPATION			If employee		EDUCATION			OWNERSHIP OF HOME							REMARKS	
Line	Year of immigration to U.S.	Naturalized or Alien	Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by person, as *spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.*	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which person works, as *cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.*	Whether an employer employee, or working own account.	Out of work on April 15, 1910.	Weeks out of work during year 1909.	Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1909	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether survivor Union, Confederate Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes).	Whether deaf and dumb.		Line
1				LUMBERMAN	LUMBERYARD				YES	YES	NO									1
2				—					"	"	"									2
3				ASSISTANT	LUMBERYARD				"	"	"									3
4				—					"	"	YES									4
5				OWN INCOME					NO	NO	NO									5
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L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there whereabouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

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September 10, 1931

Mr. Garland Smith
Attorney at Law
Jasper, Texas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 2, beg to advise that I have been discussing this matter with the Ham heirs and have some more information for you, and also a few more questions I would like to ask.

I might not write the letter in proper order, but will give the information to you as it has been given by them. First, I wish to state that they still insist that they are correct as to their line of descent.

Mrs. Markham, who is now 75 years of age, was born April 1856, which you will see was just twenty-one years after John Gilbert received this league of land. According to the affidavit made by John Newton Gilbert, which was dated August 21, 1909, he stated he was the son of Rm N. Gilbert who was commonly known as Newton, who was the son of John Gilbert, and to whom this league of land was patented: that the original John Gilbert died leaving 8 children surviving. Nancy Ham, the wife of Joel Ham, was one of the children, and Emily Gilbert being one of the children.

Further in the affidavit he says that Nancy Ham had 6 children, naming the different ones, one of whom was William Ham. William Ham is the father of Mrs. Markham, one of our clients who was born in 1856, so from that statement, you will see that it would be pretty hard for that to jibe with the statement of John Gilbert that he had moved on this place with his wife and 7 children, which was in 1835, and then, those children to have to grow to manhood and womanhood and then you see Nancy Ham was one of the children who moved on the place in 1835 and would have to grow to womanhood and marry, and then her son, William Ham, would have to be born and grow to manhood and marry and then have born to him Mrs. Markham: all of which would have to happen within a period of 21 years.

This man has gotten William Ham Josephine (Ham) Markham's father + brother mixed up.

Mrs. Markham has seen Nancy Ham many times as well as Joel Ham and they were her grandparents. She still has a picture in her possession of Nancy Ham and she knows of her own knowledge that Nancy Ham is her grandmother. You will notice in the affidavit that he says Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the daughters of John Gilbert, but Mrs. Markham says she known the original Nancy Ham and also Emily Gilbert and that she has seen both of them and has been in the home of Nancy Ham and that Emily Gilbert is the sister of Nancy Ham as set out in the affidavit and that she lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, but that instead of them being the daughters of John Gilbert, they are the sisters of John Gilbert and that Ned Ham and John Gilbert were brothers and Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the sisters; that she knows of her own knowledge that Emily Gilbert was never married but lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, and that Ned and John Gilbert have been to the home of Nancy Ham.

She goes so far as to tell about Nancy Ham swimming a horse across some big lake down on the border of Louisiana and Texas, going over to see about this land in Sabine County, Texas when her brother, John Gilbert died. She says she has heard her grandmother, Nancy Ham, and her grand-aunt Emily Gilbert, state many times to her they were the sisters of John and Ned Gilbert, and that Nancy was the only one of the four children who married, and knows of her own knowledge that Emily died an old maid.

They state that Lauranah Rankin, Mary Harris, Salina Ables, Frances Ables, Randall Newton Gilbert and David W. Gilbert must have been from a different set of Gilberts because they know they are not in any way connected with Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert, the original sisters of John Gilbert.

Thomas F. Ham one of these parties, states that he has been to the grave of his grandmother and that he can go there again and that the tombstone will show when she was born and when she died.

Further, concerning this affidavit, I have in my possession a letter written by Mrs. Annie Chapman and Mrs. Mary Arthur, written to Tom Ham and dated May 1, 1919, which is in part as follows:

" You asked us about Uncle John and Uncle Ned Gilbert if they were ~~ba~~ bachelors.~~and both died~~ Yes, they were both bachelors and both died rich and had no heirs except one sister, you grandmother Ham, your fathers mother, and when she died it fell to us and when we die it will all belong to brother William, your father, and when he dies, it belongs to you and I think you should have it........ Uncle John Gilbert had a league of land that I know of in Sabine County and you all should have it. Uncle Ned Gilberts land was in Llana..."

She also stated in this letter something about the instance I have already told you about as to grandmother Ham swimming a horse across a lake to see about a league of land.

You will notice in that judgement taken in 1890 where Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham and William Ham were all parties to this suit and survey # 5 was set apart to them. They say that they can prove beyond a doubt that Julia Vickers and Amanda Ham died many years before this suit was filed and could not have been parties to the suit. You will notice also that affidavit it states that Frances Ables had no child or children by her first ~~h~~ husband but that after his death she married J. C. Nelson in 1889 and in a copy of this judgment you sent me dated September term, 1890 W. H. Nelson was a party to that suit and at that time Frances Nelson herself must have been living.

In the suit of Gilbert, et al, vs. Macknechney, No. 1153 Frances M. Deed, _. H. Nelson and Virginia Tilley were the sole heirs at law of Frances Nelson, nee Tilley.

I think you will find from the information I have here that this suit was filed on February 6, 1889, which date shows that the suit was filed the same year that Frances Ables married J. C. Nelson, consequently, W. H. Nelson, according to that affidavit and the true facts, could not have been born.

You state in your letter that you found powers of attorney made to John H. Brooks and Silas H. Johnson coupled with one-half interest from different parties, including Nancy Ham, through whom we claim we will inherit, but you do not state the date of those instruments, and consequently, we are unable to state whether or not they actually executed those powers of attorney. You state also that you find powers of attorney from Mary Arthur and Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham, Julia Vickers and William P. Carter with power to sell on June 22, 1901. O f course we cannot state right at this time as to Annie Chapman and Mary Arthur but we do say that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers did not execute such power of attorney because we will be able to show that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers died long prior to that time and even before the suit was filed in 1890. I would suggest that you please get the dates of the powers of attorney from Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert in order that we might see the exact date and can prove the date of their deaths.

Please see also the deed from G. D. Ham and J. D. Ham and find out if they transferred all of their interest in this land or whether it refers to sub-division 5 thereof. The deed was made to Kee King.

In connection with this same matter, we can show that John Gilbert came from Duck County, Tennessee and never came from the North as indicated. After going over these matters again as to this information, see what you think about the situation and see if you think it would be a different proposition if we were able to prove the things they claim they can.

After you have done this, please let me hear from you further and I will try to get any additional information you think advisable.

Yours very truly,

E. O. Northcutt

ısband JAMES OTIS (OTTIS) HAM Lumberyard Business

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INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

James Otis Ham==

Birth Certificate facts=James Otis Ham
Born 31 Aug 1888 Male
De Leon, Comanche County, Texas
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Lists father as John Daniel Ham living De Leon, Texas
Born-Comanche County, Texas
White Age-36
Manager-Lumber business

Lists mother as Hattie Irene Shannon living De Leon, Texas
Born-Chambers City, Alabama
White Age-35
Housewife 2nd marriage to- Campbell

Deaths listed in book at Comanche Public Library, Comanche, Comanche County, Texas

De Leon Cemetary Sec. 5
X **HAM, JAMES OTTIS**
31 August 1888
30 December 1969

HAM, ANNE
1901
De Leon Cemetary
Section 5
1955

HAM, LUCILLE
1891
1927

[illegible]

Information about
George Hams brother John and his
wife Hattie.

Their children
1 Ottis Ham
2 Wilma Vey [illegible]

Ottis married Lucille [illegible]. She was from a very wealthy family. [illegible] He inherited half the homestead [illegible]

Wilma Vey (family [illegible] about spelling this) married ? moved to a western state, state unknown. She inherited half the homestead. He had two sons.

Owned a ranch and visited mom and [illegible] during the summers here in Ca[illegible] the 1950's

They did not have a clear deed to Geo. [illegible] Ham's 40 acres as mom, Mary J. Ham, did not sign the papers, and it was community property

[illegible] wifes family inherited Ottis half of Ham family homestead.

TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.

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County Comanche
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Sheet 4
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Ward of city, X
Enumerated by me on the 2nd day of June, 1900, Jno J Switzer, Enumerator.

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Line	Street	Dwelling	Family	Name	Relation	Color	Sex	Month	Year	Age	Single, married, widowed, divorced	Years married	Mother of how many children	Children living	Birthplace of person	Birthplace of father	Birthplace of mother	Year of immigration	Years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation	Months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Owned or rented	Free or mortgaged	Farm or house
1	Labadie Street	62	64	Adams Lottie	head	W	F	Aug	1855	44	M		5	5	Texas	Alabama	Tennessee				Boarding H keeper	0		yes	yes	yes	O	M	H
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10				Parks, Clyde	Boarder	W	M	June	1871	28	S				Texas	Texas	Texas				Photographer	0		yes	yes	yes			
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lusband HAROLD J. STOCKMAN

)RN PLACE

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ED PLACE

JR. PLACE

USBAND'S ATHER MOTHER

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife WILLIE VEI HAM

)RN 26 Feb 1893 Sunday PLACE De Leon, Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 10 Page 160)

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ED After 1926 while still young PLACE probaly Ohio

JR. PLACE

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6					Black Alonzo L.	Boarder	W	M	June	1864	35	M				Iowa	Ohio	Virginia				Salesman Hardware	8		yes	yes	yes			
7					Short Howard F	Boarder	W	M	Feb	1865	35	S				Mississippi	Tennessee	Mississippi				Salesman (Grocer)	0		yes	yes	yes			
8					Spencer Estell	Boarder	W	M	Oct	1877	22	S				Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi				Salesman (Dry Goods)	0		yes	yes	yes			
9					Smith, Simon S	Boarder	W	M	Mar	1874	26	S				Mississippi	Georgia	Alabama				Salesman (Dry Goods)	0		yes	yes	yes			
10					Parks, Clyde	Boarder	W	M	June	1871	28	S				Texas	Texas	Texas				Photographer	0		yes	yes	yes			
11					Spencer Emmett	Boarder	W	M	Sep	1879	20	S				Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi				Salesman (Dry Goods)	4		yes	yes	yes			
12			63	65	Harris John	head	W	M	July	1857	42	M	12			Texas	Tennessee	Georgia				Merchant (Lumber)	0		yes	yes	yes	O	F	H
13	Houston St				— Hattie F	wife	W	F	Jan	1868	32	M	12	2	2	Alabama	Alabama	Georgia							yes	yes	yes			
14					— Ottis James	son	W	M	Aug	1888	11					Texas	Texas	Alabama				at school		6	yes	yes	yes			
15					— Willie V	daughter	W	F	Feb	1893	7					Texas	Texas	Alabama				at school		6						
16			64	66	Neal, Alexander	head	W	M	Feb	1860	40	M	10			Georgia	Georgia	Georgia				Salesman (Dry Goods)	0		yes	yes	yes	O	F	H
17					— Josie	wife	W	F	Apr	1867	33	M	10	3	2	Texas	Alabama	Alabama				Milliner			yes	yes	yes			
18					— Ellis B	son	W	M	Oct	1893	6					Texas	Georgia	Texas				at school		6	yes					
19					— Paul L	son	W	M	Mar	1897	3					Texas	Georgia	Texas												
20			65	67	Terry John M	head	W	M	Oct	1872	27	M	6			Missouri	Alabama	Arkansas				Restaurant Keeper	0		yes	yes	yes	R	—	H
21					— Mollie G	wife	W	F	Apr	1876	24	M	6			Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				—			yes	yes	yes			
22					Austin Daniel	Lodger	W	M	May	1872	28	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				Restaurant Keeper			yes	yes	yes			
23					Barton, Benjamin	B-in-law	W	M	Dec	1882	17	S				Arkansas	Arkansas	Arkansas				Day Laborer	6		yes	yes	yes			
24			66	68	Stewart Mattie	head	W	F	Aug	1868	31	Wd		1	1	Texas	Scotland	Kentucky				Milliner	0		yes	yes	yes	O	F	H
25					Farmer, Alla S	sister	W	F	Sep	1861	38	S				Texas	Scotland	Kentucky				Postmaster	0		yes	yes	yes			
26					— Hattie D F.	sister	W	F	May	1876	24	S				Texas	Scotland	Kentucky							yes	yes	yes			
27					— Charlie M	Brother	W	M	Jan	1870	30	S				Texas	Scotland	Kentucky				Telegraph Operator			yes	yes	yes			
28			67	69	McAfee Edward	head	W	M	Feb	1872	28	M	2			Mississippi	Georgia	S Carolina				Salesman Dry Goods	0		yes	yes	yes	O	F	H
29					— Lallie	wife	W	F	Feb	1876	24	M	2	1	1	Texas	Mississippi	Mississippi							yes	yes	yes			
30					— Albert C.	[illegible]	W	M	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]					Texas	Mississippi	Texas												

Husband

BORN PLACE
CHR. PLACE
MARR. PLACE
DIED PLACE
BUR. PLACE
HUSBAND'S FATHER MOTHER
HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife (ANNIE) NANCY ELLEN HAM (was named after both of her grandmothers)

BORN 30 May 1861 Thursday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Texa
CHR. PLACE
DIED 28 May 1865 Sunday PLACE 3 yrs. 11 mons. 29 days old
BUR. PLACE Probably Comanche County, Texas
WIFE'S FATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
M/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YE
1							
2							
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INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

lusband (WILL) WILLIAM ALEXANDER HAM, JR.

ORN 7 Mar 1863 Saturday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist.,Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas
IR. PLACE
ARR. 13 Dec 1893 Wednesday PLACE
IED 6 Sept 1932 Tuesday PLACE 69 yrs. 5 mons. 30 days
JR. PLACE
USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham, Sr. MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife (THUSSY) THURSY JANE BOGER

ORN PLACE
IR. PLACE
IED PLACE
JR. PLACE
IFE'S ATHER MOTHER
IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
	Had 3 children						
0							
1	In Feb of 1920 last information on him states that the last anyone knew of Will was that he was in Brady, Texas						
2							

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

Land Transactions-Listed-Comanche County, Texas
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Grantee	Grantor	Kind of Instrument	Date of Instrument	Date of Filing
Ham, W.A. & Wife	J.C.C. Martin	Release	Aug. 16, 1896	July 26, 1897

Name of Surveyor	No. of Acres	Recorded Book/Page
Lot in Comanche	39/266	

Census Reports=====

1870===Comanche County, Texas Post Office-Comanche
Taken 29 Oct. 1870 Pg. 23 or 189 Dwelling #166 Family #183 Shows William Ham, Jr. age 9 yrs., white male born in Texas living w/parents William, Sr. & Margret E. Ham & brothers John, Joel & sisters Josephine, Martha J.

1880===Comanche County, Texas
Taken 10th & 11th June 1880 by Thomas O. Moore 4th District Enumeration #31 page 18 on left side
Dwelling #152 Family #152 Shows Wm. A., Jr. Ham, age 17, white male, farmer born in Texas living w/parents Ham, Wm. A. & Margret E. & brothers John Daniel, Joel Henry, Thomas F., Geo. Dallas & Luther Edgar & sister Martha.

1870 CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

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Notes: Comanche County, Texas
Taken 26 Oct. 1870

Sheet 1
Line 33

Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value-Real Estate	Value-Personal Property	Birthplace	Father foreign bn.	Mother foreign bn.	Month born in year	Month married in year	School in year	Can't read or write	Eligible to vote	Date of Enumeration	Remarks
23	166	183	HAM, WILLIAM	37	M	W	FARMER			TENN									
OR			MARGRET E.	30	F	W				MISSOURI									
89			JOSEPHINE	15	F	W				TEXAS									
			JOHN	13	M	W				TEXAS									
			WILLIAM	9	M	W				TEXAS									
			JOEL	6	M	W				TEXAS									
			MARTHA J.	1	F	W				TEXAS									

Comanche, Comanche County, Texas – 26 Oct. 1870 –

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1 Dwelling-houses numbered in the order of visitation	2 Families numbered in the order of visitation	3 The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	4 Age at last birthday	5 Sex	6 Color	7 Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	8 Value of Real Estate	9 Value of Personal Estate	10 Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	11 Father of foreign birth	12 Mother of foreign birth	13 If born within the year, state month	14 If married within the year, state month	15 Attended school within the year	16 Cannot read	17 Cannot write	18 Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	19 Male Citizens of U. S. of 21 years of age and upwards
141	77	Scott Dennis	35	M	W	Farming			Indiana						/	/		/
		Gillaly	27	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri							/		
		Darfi	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary F.	13	F	W				"					/		/		
		Jahnnie	10	M	W				"					/		/		
		Henry	5	M	W				"					/		/		
142	78	Wisely Mary	35	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Frankie	27	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri									
		Mill	5		W				"									
		Michael	[illegible]		W				Texas									
		Rosetta	3	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	4/12	F	W				"			Mar						
	79	Scott [illegible]	51	M	W	Farm Laborer		300	Ind.						/	/		/
143	80	Shenlin Nancy F.	51	F	W	Keeping House		215	North Car.						/	/		X
		Wm. A.	35	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	20	M	W	Working on Farm			Miss.						/	/		
		Joseph F.	15	M	W				"					/		/		
		Mary E.	14	F	W				"					/		/		
		Asa J.	13	M	W				Texas					/		/		
144	81	Marshall Riley	57	M	W	Farming			N.C.									/
		Nancy S.	44	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert J. H.	30	M	W	Farm Laborer			Arkansas									/
		Louis F.	16	M	W				Texas					/				
		A. Alacia	13	F	W				"					/		/		
		Albert W.	11	F	W				"					/	/	/		
		Wyatt	9	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Sarah	5	F	W				"									
		Jennie	3	F	W				"									
		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			Dec						
145	82	Marshall James	26	M	W	Farming			Arkansas									/
		Olive O.	23	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert J.	1	M	W				Texas									
146	83	Stone William	34	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri							/		
		Josephine	13	F	W				Texas					/		/		
		John	13	M	W				"					/		/		
		William	9	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Joe	6	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U.S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.

Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.

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Notes: COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS
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Place of Enumeration: #31

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
18	152	152	HAM, WM. A	W	M	47		HEAD						FARMER			TENN	N.C.	TENN		
			MARGRET E.	W	F	44		WIFE						KEEPS HOUSE			MO.	GA.	GA.		
			JOHN DANIEL	W	M	23		SON						FARMER			TEX	TENN	MO.		
			WM. A. JR.	W	M	17		SON						FARMER			TEX	"	"		
			JOEL HENRY	W	M	14		SON						WORKS ON FARM			TEX	"	"		
			MARTHA	W	F	11		DAUG.						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			THOMAS F.	W	M	9		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			GEO. DALLAS	W	M	6		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			LUTHER EDGAR	W	M	3		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		

Dist. No. 4

ion Dist. No. 4 31 1st

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children born since June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

DULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E D #31), in the County of Comanche, State of

enumerated by me on the 10 & 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M

			Personal Description					Civil Condition				Occupation		Health						Education			Nativity	
Dwelling-houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Color—White, W; Black, B; Mulatto, Mu; Chinese, C; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: 3/12.	If born within the Census year, give the month.	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Single, /	Married, /	Widowed, / Divorced, D.	Married during Census year, /	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Is the person [on the day of the Enumerator's visit] sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind, /	Deaf and Dumb, /	Idiotic, /	Insane, /	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, /	Attended school within the Census year, /	Cannot read, /	Cannot write, /	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
52	152	Ham Wm A	W	M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Tenn	N.C.
"	"	" Margret E		F	44		wife		1			Keeping house										1	Mo	Ga
"	"	" John Daniel		M	23		Son	1				Farmer	✓										Texas	Tenn
"	"	" William A		M	17		"	1				" "	✓										"	"
"	"	" JoEll Henry		M	14		"	1				Works on farm								1			"	"
"	"	" Martha		F	11		Daught	1				at Home								1			"	"
"	"	" Thomas F		M	9		Son	1				" "								1			"	"
"	"	" Geo Dallas		M	6		"	1				" "											"	"
"	"	" Luther Edgar		M	3		"	1				" "											"	"
53	153	Martin W M		M	24				1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Tenn
"	"	" Sinia		F	25		wife		1			Keeping house											Texas	Mo
54	154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Ill	Tenn
"	"	" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Keeping house											Texas	Mo
"	"	" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Farming	✓										"	Ill
"	"	" Geo Alx		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	✓										"	"
"	"	" Lorin G		M	12		"	1				" " "								1			"	"
"	"	" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				At School											"	"
"	"	" James P		M	8		Son	1				" Home								1			"	"
"	"	" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" "											"	"
"	"	" Chle F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
5	155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			Farming	✓										Va	Va
"	"	" Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Keeping house											Ala	U.S.A.
"	"	" James M		M	5		Son	1				at Home											Texas	Va
"	"	" Rebeca E		F	5		Daught	1				" "											"	"
"	"	" Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											"	"
"	"	" Wm Columbus		M	7/12	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
156		Matthews Jacob		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										S.C.	Va
"	"	" Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Keeping house	12	Consumption									Texas	Ala
"	"	" Thos Edgar		M	9		Son	1				At Home								1			Texas	S.C.
"	"	" Davie H		M	7		"	1				" "											"	"
157		Cooper John		M	43				1			Farmer	✓										" "	Ala
"	"	" Mary		F	36		wife		1			Keeping house											Texas	
"		Darnell Adkins		M	18		S Son	1				Farmer	—											Texas
		[illegible] Mary		F	16		S Daught	1				at Home												
		Cooper [illegible]		M	13	Fe	Daught	1																
		M[illegible]		M				1																

ULE I.—Inhabitants in ______, in the County of ______, State of
enumerated by me on the ______ day of June, 1880.

L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there whereabouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

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I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

Husband JOEL HENRY HAM Named after his 2 grandfather's, Joel W. Ham & Henry R. Martin

BORN 1866 PLACE Farmer/Fought in the Spanish-American War 1895-1898
Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas

CHR. PLACE

MARR. 7 Mar 1888 Wednesday PLACE Comanche, Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 1 Page 71)

DIED 1919 PLACE Ca. 53 yrs.

BUR. PLACE

HUSBAND'S FATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife (MRS. S.Z. or ZULA E.) or MARTHA SENTHA ELLEN MARTIN (until we find out what her real name is we are using the name Martha Ellen Martin)

BORN 1869 PLACE Mississippi

CHR. PLACE

DIED PLACE

BUR. PLACE

WIFE'S FATHER Born in Georgia MOTHER Born in Mississippi

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX M/F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
M	Leland J.	1889		Comanche	Texas		
M	Clarence	19 Apr 1891		Comanche	Texas	1 mon 16 days old	5 June 1891
F	Eula V.	1895		Comanche	Texas		
F	Bertha	1899		Comanche	Texas		
F	Margrette G	1901		Comanche	Texas		
F	Stella A			Comanche	Texas		
F	Mattie H.	1903		Comanche	Texas		
M	Samuel J.	1909		Comanche	Texas		

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OTHER MARRIAGE

CENSUS REPORTS

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1910===Comanche County, Texas Preceint 5 (part of) Ward of City 7850 Supervision Dist. #1
Taken 2 May 1910 by Wm. Stanley Dist. #11 Sheet 10A Dwelling #455 Family #461

Ham, Joel H.	Head	M	W	44	Marr	21 yrs		Farmer	Gen. Farm
Zula E.	Wife	F	W	41	Marr	21 yrs	9 children/7 living	none	
Leland J.	Son	M	W	21				Farm laborer	Home farm
Eula V.	Daug	F	W	15				Farm laborer	Home farm
Bertha	Daug	F	W	11				Farm laborer	Home farm
Margrette G.	Daug	F	W	9				none	
Stella A.	Daug	F	W					none	
Mattie H.	Daug	F	W	7				none	
Samuel J.	Son	M	W	10/12				none	

Joel H.	Born-Texas	Father B-Tennessee	Mother B-Georgia
Zula E.	Mississippi	Georgia	Mississippi
Leland J.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Eula V.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Bertha	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Margrette G.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Stella A.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Mattie H.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi
Samuel J.	Texas	Texas	Mississippi

All can read & write except Stella A., Mattie H., & Samuel J.
Eula V., Bertha., Margrette G. & Stella A. attended school since Sept. 1, 1909

usband CLARENCE HAM

RN 19 April 1891 Sunday PLACE Comanche County, Texas

R. PLACE

RR. PLACE

ED 5 June 1891 Friday PLACE Comanche County, Texas (1 mon 16 days old)

R. PLACE Suggs Cemetery, Comanche County, Texas

USBAND'S THER Joel Henry Ham MOTHER Martha Ellen Martin

USBAND'S HER WIVES

/ife

RN PLACE

R. PLACE

ED PLACE

R. PLACE

FE'S THER MOTHER

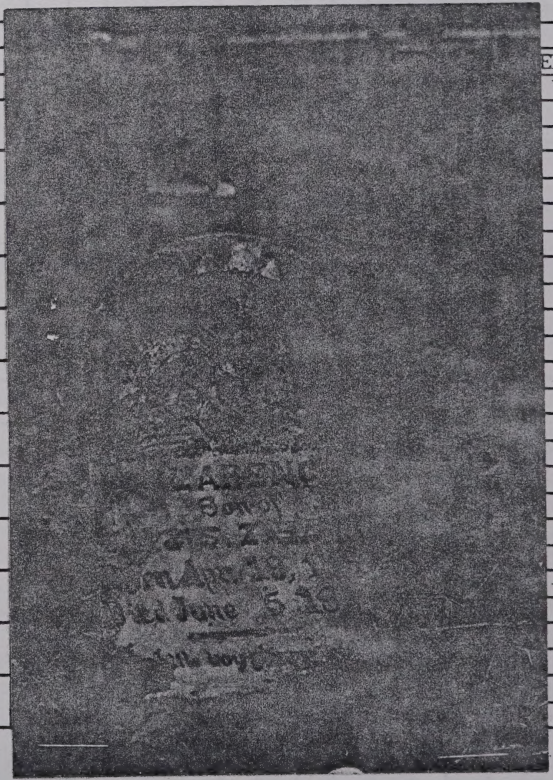
FE'S HER SBANDS

X F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	ED YEAR

Suggs Cemetery located north of Comanche on FM 2247 for 7.4 miles turn right on a county road for 7/10's of a mile, turn right for ½ mile. Enclosed by a wire fence in the middle of farm land. Gets some care.

Tombstone reads===

Clarence-son of
J.H. & S.Z. Ham
Born Apr 19, 1891
Died June 5, 1891
Little boy sleep well



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Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value-Real Estate	Value-Personal Property	Birthplace	Father foreign bn.	Mother foreign bn.	Month born in year	Month married in year	School in year	Can't read or write	Eligible to vote	Date of Enumeration	Remarks
23	166	183	HAM, WILLIAM	37	M	W	FARMER			TENN									
OR			MARGRET E.	30	F	W				MISSOURI									
89			JOSEPHINE	15	F	W				TEXAS									
			JOHN	13	M	W				TEXAS									
			WILLIAM	9	M	W				TEXAS									
			JOEL	6	M	W				TEXAS									
			MARTHA J.	1	F	W				TEXAS									

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	Description			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	Value of Real Estate owned		Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Parentage							Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	
141	177	Scott James	35	M	W	Farming			Indiana						/	/		/
		Gilly	27	F	W	Keeping House			Mississippi							/		
		[illegible]	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary J.	13	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	10	M	W				"					/		/		
		Henry	8	M	W				"					/		/		
142	178	[illegible] Millie	35	M	W	Farming			Tenn.									/
		Frances	27	F	W	Keeping House			Mississippi									
		Mary A.	[illegible]	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	F	W				Texas									
		Rosella	3	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	F	W				"			May						
	179	Scott [illegible]	31	M	W	Farm Labor		200	Ind.						/	/		/
143	180	Spradlin Mary J.	50	F	W	Keeping House		215	North Car.						/	/		X
		Wm A.	35	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	20	M	W	Working on Farm			Miss.						/	/		
		Joseph F.	15	M	W				"					/		/		
		Mary E.	14	F	W				"					/		/		
		Asa F.	13	M	W				Texas					/		/		
144	181	Marshall Bird	57	M	W	Farming			Ill.									/
		Nancy S.	41	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert J. H.	20	M	W	Farm Labor			Arkansas									/
		Louis F.	16	M	W				Texas					/				
		Adelia	13	F	W				"					/		/		
		Martha	11	F	W				"					/	/	/		
		Wyatt	9	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		[illegible]	5	F	W				"									
		Jennie	3	F	W				"									
		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			April						
145	182	Marshall James	26	M	W	Farming			Arkansas									/
		Olive O.	25	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert G.	1	M	W				Texas									
146	183	Stone William	37	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri							/		
		Josephine	13	F	W				Texas					/		/		
		John	[illegible]	M	W				"					/		/		
		William	9	M	W				"					/		/		
		Jule	6	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

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Taken 10th + 11th June 1880

Place of Enumeration: #31

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
18	152	152	HAM, WM. A.	W	m	47		HEAD						FARMER			TENN	N.C.	TENN		
			MARGRET E.	W	F	44		WIFE						KEEPS HOUSE			MO.	GA.	GA.		
			JOHN DANIEL	W	m	23		SON						FARMER			TEX	TENN.	MO.		
			WM. A. JR.	W	m	17		SON						FARMER			TEX	"	"		
			JOEL HENRY	W	m	14		SON						WORKS ON FARM			TEX	"	"		
			MARTHA	W	F	11		DAUG.						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			THOMAS F.	W	m	9		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			GEO. DALLAS	W	m	6		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		
			LUTHER EDGAR	W	M	3		SON						AT HOME			TEX	"	"		

Dist. No. 4

ion Dist. No. 31st

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

DULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E.D #31), in the County of Comanche, State of [illegible]

enumerated by me on the 10 and 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M

			Personal Description.					Civil Condition.				Occupation.		Health.						Education.			Nativity.	
Dwelling houses numbered in order of visitation. 1	Families numbered in order of visitation. 2	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family. 3	Color—White, W; Black, B; Mulatto, Mu; Chinese, C; Indian, I. 4	Sex—Male, M; Female, F. 5	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: 3/12. 6	If born within the Census year, give the month. 7	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other. 8	Single, / 9	Married, / 10	Widowed, / Divorced, D. 11	Married during Census year, / 12	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female. 13	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year. 14	Is the person [on the day of the Enumerator's visit] sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability? 15	Blind, / 16	Deaf and Dumb, / 17	Idiotic, / 18	Insane, / 19	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, / 20	Attended school within the Census year, / 21	Cannot read, / 22	Cannot write, / 23	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth. 24	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth. 25
52	152	Ham Wm A	W	M	47				1			Farmer	✓											
		" Margret E.		F	44		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Tenn	N.C
		" John Daniel		M	23		Son	1				Farmer	✓									1	Mo	Ga
		William A		M	17		"	1				" "	✓										Texas	Tenn
		Jeff Henry		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	—										"	"
		" Martha		F	11		Daught	1				at Home								1			"	"
		Thomas F		M	9		Son	1				" "								1			"	"
		Geo Dallas		M	6		"	1				" "								1			"	"
		Luther Edger		M	3		"	1				" "											"	"
153	153	Martin W.M		M	24				1			Farmer	✓										"	"
		" Sinia		F	25		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Texas	Tenn
54	154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Ill	Tenn
		" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Farming	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Geo Alx		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	✓										"	Ill
		" Irvin G.		M	12		"	1				" " "											"	"
		" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				at School								1			"	"
		" James P		M	8		Son	1				" Home								1			"	"
		" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" "											"	"
		" Chlk F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
55	155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			Farmer	✓										"	[illegible]
		Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Keepinghouse											Va	Va
		James M		M	5		Son	1				at Home											Ala	U.S.A
		Rebecca E		F	5		Daught	1				" "											Texas	Va
		Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											"	"
		Wm Columbus		M	4/12	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
156		Matthews Jacob		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										" "	
		" Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Keepinghouse	12	Consumption									S.C	Va
		" Thos Edgar		M	9		Son	1				at Home								1			Texas	Ala
		Davis H		M	7		"	1				" "											Texas	S.C
157		Cooper John		M	43				1			Farming	—										"	"
		" Mary		F	36		wife		1			Keepinghouse											"	Ala
		Darnell Adkins		M	18		S Son	1				Farmer	—										Texas	[illegible]
		[illegible] Mary		F	16		S. Daught	1				at Home											[illegible]	Texas
		Cooper Ella		M	13	Fe	Daught	1				[illegible]											[illegible]	[illegible]
		M[illegible]		M	[illegible]		[illegible]					[illegible]											[illegible]	[illegible]

Enu. Dist. No. 53

ULE 1.—Inhabitants in [illegible], in the County of [illegible], State of [illegible], enumerated by me on the 12 & 14 day of June, 1880.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

Wm. Stanley
Enumerator

Thirteenth Census Of The United States (1910 Census)

State Texas County Comanche Supervisor Dist. #12 Township or other Division of County Precinct 5 (part of) Ward of City 7850

Enumeration Date 2 May 1910 Roll ______ Sheet 10 A Dist. #11

Form C10
The Everton Publishers, Inc.
P.O. Box 368, Logan, utah 84321

	LOCATION			NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION							NATIVITY			
Line	House number city or town	Number of dwelling house	Number of family	of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the country. Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Line
1		55	461	Ham, Joel H.	Head	M	W	44	M	21			Texas	Tennessee	Georgia	1
2				Zula Z.	wife	F	W	41	M	21	9	7	Mississippi	Georgia	Mississippi	2
3				Leland J.	son	M	W	21					Texas	Texas	Mississippi	3
4				Eula V.	Daug.	F	W	15								4
5				Bertha	〃	F	W	11								5
6				Marguette G.	〃	F	W	9								6
7				Stella A.	〃	F	W									7
8				Mattie H.	〃	F	W	7								8
9				Samuel J.	Son	M	W	1 9/12								

	CITIZENSHIP			OCCUPATION					EDUCATION			OWNERSHIP OF HOME							REMARKS	
Line	Year of immigration to U.S.	Naturalized or Alien	Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by person, as spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which person works, as cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.	Whether an employer, employee, or working own account.	If employee: Out of work on April 15, 1910.	If employee: Weeks out of work during year 1909.	Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1909	Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether survivor Union, Confederate Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes).	Whether deaf and dumb.		Line
1				Farmer	Gen farm				Yes	Yes	No									1
2				none					Yes	Yes	No									2
3				Farm laborer	Home Farm				Yes	Yes	No									3
4				〃	〃				Yes	Yes	Yes									4
5				〃	〃				Yes	Yes	Yes									5
6				〃	〃				Yes	Yes	Yes									6
7				none	none				—		Yes									7
8				none	none				—		No									8

L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there wheresbouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

L. D. King
Attorney-At-Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1940

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Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Sam interest in the John Gilbert League, Abstract No 13, Sabine Co, Texas, and I find the Sam children as follows, as I have them; viz

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J. D. Sam, who lived a year or so ago, at Seleon Texas
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Lettie Jane Sam who married [illegible] Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin has my information. Did not know his address at that time.
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I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

lusband JAMES EDWARD HAM

)RN 9 Mar 1868 Monday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas
IR. PLACE
ARR. PLACE
IED 19 Mar 1868 Thursday PLACE 10 days old
JR. PLACE possibly Comanche County, Texas
USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham (MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife

)RN PLACE
IR. PLACE
IED PLACE
JR. PLACE
IFE'S ATHER (MOTHER
IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEAR
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OTHER MARRIAGE

Iusband JESSE L. MARTIN

ORN PLACE

HR. PLACE

ARR. 7 Mar 1888 Wednesday PLACE Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 1 Page 71)

IED PLACE

JR. PLACE

USBAND'S ATHER MOTHER

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife MARTHA JANE HAM

ORN 21 Apr 1869 Wednesday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist. Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas

HR. PLACE

IED 3 Apr 1892 Sunday PLACE 22 yrs. 11 mons. 12 days old

UR. PLACE Suggs Cemetery, Comanche County, Texas

IFE'S ATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin

IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEAR
M	Alvin	1888	Probably Comanche	County, Texas			
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CENSUS REPORTS

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Taken 29 Oct. 1870 pg. 23 or 189 Dwelling #166 Family #183 Shows Martha J. Ham, age 1 yr., white female born in Texas living w/parents William & Margret E. Ham, brothers John, William & Joel & sister Josephine.

1880===Comanche County, Texas
Taken 10th & 11th June 1880 by Thomas O. Moore 4th District Enumeration #31 pg. 18 on left side
Dwelling #152 Family #152 Shows Martha Ham, age 11 yrs., white female born in Texas living w/parents Wm. A. & Margret E. Ham, brothers John Daniel, William A., Joell Henry, Thomas F., Geo. Dallas & Luther Edgar.

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189			JOSEPHINE	15	F	W				TEXAS									
			JOHN	13	m	W				TEXAS									
			WILLIAM	9	m	W				TEXAS									
			JOEL	6	m	W				TEXAS									
			MARTHA J.	1	F	W				TEXAS									

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161	177	Scott James	35	M	W	Farming			Indiana						/	/		/
		[illegible]	27	F	W	Keeping House			Virginia							/		
		[illegible]	15	M	W				"					/				
		Mary J.	13	F	W				"					/	/	/		
		[illegible]	10	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Henry	5	M	W				"					/	/	/		
162	178	[illegible]	35	M	W	Farming			[illegible]									/
		Frances	27	F	W	Keeping House			[illegible]									
		[illegible]	[illegible]		W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	F	W				[illegible]									
		[illegible]	3	F	W				"									
		[illegible]	[illegible]	F	W				"			Mar						
	179	Scott [illegible]	51	M	W	[illegible]		340	[illegible]						/	/		/
163	180	[illegible] Mary J.	51	F	W	Keeping House		215	North Car.						/	/		X
		Wm. A.	33	M	W	Farming			Georgia						/	/		/
		Robert J.	20	M	W	Working on Farm			[illegible]						/	/		
		Joseph T.	15	M	W				"					/		/		
		Mary E.	14	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	13	M	W				Texas					/		/		
164	181	[illegible] Riley	57	M	W	Farming			Ill.									/
		Nancy J.	44	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert J. H.	30	M	W	Farm Laborer			Arkansas									/
		[illegible]	16	M	W				Texas					/		/		
		Aldocia	14	F	W				"					/		/		
		[illegible]	11	F	W				"					/	/	/		
		Wyatt	9	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		[illegible]	5	F	W				"									
		Jennie	3	F	W				"									
		Mary	6/12	F	W				"			Apr						
165	182	[illegible] James	26	M	W	Farming			Arkansas									/
		[illegible] E.	23	F	W	Keeping House			Georgia									
		Robert [illegible]	1	M	W				Texas									
166	183	[illegible] William	37	M	W	Farming			Illinois									/
		Margaret E.	30	F	W	Keeping House			Missouri							/		
		Josephine	13	F	W				Texas					/		/		
		John	[illegible]	M	W				"					/		/		
		William	9	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		[illegible]	6	M	W				"					/	/	/		
		Martha J.	1	F	W				"									

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1880 CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

(For those who use the Calendar Method of keeping research notes)

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COMANCHE COUNTY, TEXAS

Notes: TAKEN 10th + 11th JUNE 1880 BY THOMAS O. MOORE
4TH DISTRICT

Place of Enumeration: #31

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks ATTENDED SCHOOL
18	152	152	HAM, WM. A.	W	M	47		HEAD		✓				FARMER			TENN.	N.C.			
ON LEFT SIDE			MARGRET E.	W	F	44		WIFE		✓						✓	MO.	GA.			
			JOHN DANIEL	W	M	23		SON	✓					FARMER			TEX	TENN	MO.		
			WILLIAM A.	W	M	17		SON	✓					FARMER			TEX	TENN.	MO.		
			JOELL HENRY	W	M	14		SON	✓					WORKS ON FARM			TEX	TENN	MO		YES
			MARTHA	W	F	11		DAUG.	✓					AT HOME			TEX	TENN.	MO.		YES
			THOMAS F.	W	M	9		SON	✓					AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MO.		YES
			GEO. DALLAS	W	M	6		SON	✓					AT HOME			TEX	TENN.	MO.		
			LUTHER EDGAR	W	M	3		SON	✓					AT HOME			TEX.	TENN	MO.		

[illegible] Dist. No. 4

[illegible]ion Dist. No. 31 st

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children born since June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

[illegible]DULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E D #31), in the County of Comanche, State of Tex[illegible]

enumerated by me on the 10 and 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M[illegible]

		Personal Description.					Civil Condition.				Occupation.		Health.						Education.			Nativity.	
Dwelling-houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Color—White, W; Black, B; Mulatto, Mu; Chinese, C; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: 3/12	If born within the Census year, give the month.	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Single, /	Married, /	Widowed, / Divorced, D.	Married during Census year, /	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Is the person [on the day of the Enumerator's visit] sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind, /	Deaf and Dumb, /	Idiotic, /	Insane, /	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, /	Attended school within the Census year, /	Cannot read, /	Cannot write, /	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
52	152	Ham Wm A	W	M	47				1			Farmer	✓											
		" Margret E		F	44		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Tenn	N.C.
		" John Daniel		M	23		Son	1				Farmer	✓									1	Mo	Ga
		" William A		M	17		"	1				" "	✓										Texas	Tenn
		" Joell Henry		M	14		"	1				Works on farm											"	"
		" Marthia		F	11		Daught	1				at Home								1			"	"
		" Thomas F		M	9		Son	1				" "								1			"	"
		" Geo Dallas		M	6		"	1				" "								1			"	"
		" Luther Edgar		M	3		"	1				" "											"	"
53	153	Martin W M		M	24				1			Farmer	✓										"	"
		" Sinia		F	25		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Texas	Tenn
54	154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Ill	Tenn
		" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Farming	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Geo Alx		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	✓										"	Ill
		" Lorin G		M	12		"	1				" " "											"	"
		" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				At School								1			"	"
		" James P		M	8		Son	1				" Home											"	"
		" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" "								1			"	"
		" Chls F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
5	155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			Farmer	✓										"	Ka
		" Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Keepinghouse											Va	Va
		" James M		M	5		Son	1				at Home											Ala	U S A
		" Rebecca E		F	5		Daught	1				" "											Texas	Va
		" Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											"	"
		" Wm Columbus		M	4/12	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
	156	Matthews Jacob		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										" "	"
		" Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Keepinghouse	12	Consumption									S C	Va
		" Thos Edgar		M	9		Son	1				At Home											Texas	Ala
		" Davis H		M	7		"	1				" "								1			Texas	S C
	157	Cooper John		M	43				1			Farming	✓										" "	"
		" Mary		F	36		wife		1			Keepinghouse											" "	Alan
		Darnell Adkins		M	15		S Son	1				Farmer											Texas	
		[illegible] Mary		F	16		S Daught	1				at Home											[illegible]	Texas
		Cooper [illegible]		M	13	Fe	Daught	1				[illegible]												
		M[illegible]		M	[illegible]																			

...E I.—Inhabitants in [illegible] in the County of [illegible] State of [illegible]

enumerated by me on the [illegible] day of June, 1860.

L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there wheresbouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

lusband (TOM) THOMAS FRANKLIN HAM (Farmer-Carpenter-Cpnstruction)

ORN 22 Dec 1871 Friday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche, Comanche Co., Texas
HR. PLACE
ARR. 6 Feb 1896 Thursday PLACE
IED 26 Aug 1957 Monday PLACE Los Angeles County, California (85 yrs 8 mons 4 days)
JR. PLACE Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, Los Angeles County, California
USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife (MARY) MARY ELIZABETH KING

ORN June 1974 PLACE Morgan County, Alabama
HR. PLACE
IED 29 Nov 1957 Friday PLACE Los Angeles County, California (ca. 83 yrs.)
JR. PLACE Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, Los Angeles County, California
IFE'S ATHER William M. King MOTHER Mary J.
IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEAR
M	Charles Carrell (Carrol)	31 Mar 1899	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas		
M	John William	8 Oct 1901	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	Lena P.	28 Aug 1972
M	Joe Francis	3 Apr 1905	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	Clara Thelma	21 Sep 1962
F	Mary Belle	18 Jul 1906	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	Terry Evans	
M	Thomas Jefferson	7 Jun 1908	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas		
M	Georgia Bertis Irene	4 Sep 1913	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	Sam Ford	23 Dec 1985
)							
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2							

INFORMATION OTHER MARRIAGE

KNOWN FACTS

Places lived at===
Rented farm #186, Comanche County, Texas (1900)
Ozier Place for about 1 year, Clarendon, Donley County, Texas
Miller Place for about 4 years, Clarendon, Donley County, Texas
604 Madison, Amarillo, Potter County, Texas (1942)
Stamford, Jones County, Texas
2926 Bishop Street, El Monte, Los Angeles County, California

Death Records===

Name	Spouses Initials	Sex 1 for male 2 for female	Social Security Number	County No.	Death Date
Ham, Thomas F.	ME	1	556-32-1790	#19 (Los Angeles Co.)	8-26-57

Registar No.	State File No.	Page No.
13027	57-78746	7,107

Ham, Mary E.	--	2	------------	#19 (Los Angeles Co.)	11-29-57
18086	57-110937	7,107			

Tom & Mary are buried at Rose Hills Memorial Park (this is the largest cemetery in the world)
3900 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, California
Buried in section Twilight Terrace, Lot 2008, w/Tom in grave 3 & Mary in grave 4.

Niece of Tom Ham's (Erma Lynn (Ham) Hodges) has a memorial service card for the burial of Mary E. Ham which reads====Mary E. Ham
Native of Alabama
D-Nov. 29, 1957
Services at-Rainbow Chapel
Dec. 2, 1957 10 AM
Bur. Rose Hills Memorial Park

Delayed Birth Certificates for children of Thomas Franklin & Mary Elizabeth (King) Ham are recorded at the Comanche County Courthouse at Comanche, Comanche County, Texas

Charles Carrel Ham	Recorded===Vol. 13, page 197
John William Ham	Vol. 13, page 196
Joe Francis Ham	Vol. 13, page 197
Mary Belle Ham	Vol. 35, page 254
Thomas Jefferson Ham	Vol. 14, page 516
Georgia Bertis Irene Ham	Vol. 14, page 118

lusband WILLIAM M. KING Farmer

ORN June 1847 PLACE Mississippi

IR. PLACE

ARR. CA. 1879 PLACE

IED PLACE

JR. PLACE

USBAND'S ATHER Born in North Carolina MOTHER Born in Texas

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife Mary J.

ORN Nov 1859 PLACE Texas

IR. PLACE

IED PLACE

JR. PLACE

IFE'S ATHER Born in Alabama MOTHER Born in Mississippi

IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
F	Mary Elizabeth	June 1874		Morgan	Alabama	6 Feb 1896 Thomas Franklin Ham	29 Nov 1957
M	James M.C.	Sept 1879			Texas		
F	Jessia M. or Jessea M.	Jan 1885			Texas		
F	Leona V. Ifona V.	July 1887			Texas		
F	Lucy Jane or Tuey Jan	Mar 1892			Texas		
F	Belva I.	Feb 1895			Texas		
M	Olian J. Orlea J.	Nov 1898			Texas		

INFORMATION OTHER MARRIAGE

Willie thinks this could be Mary E. (King) Ham's parents.
could be her father from a previous marriage
but not her mother.

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Date 13th & 14th JUNE 1900

Enum. Dist. No. 27

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LOCATION				NAME		PERSONAL DESCRIPTION									NATIVITY								EDUCATION						
Street	House No.	Dwelling No.	Family No.	of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family	Relation to head of family	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of Birth	Age	Single, married, widowed, divorced	No. of years married	Mother how many ch	No. these ch living	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Year of immigration to U.S.	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation	No. of months not employed	Attended school (months)	Can read	Can write	Can speak English	Home owned or rented	Home owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house
		146	147	KING, WM. M	HEAD	W	M	JUNE	1847	52	M	21			MISS.	N.C.	TENN.				FARMER			YES	YES	YES	O	F	F
				MARY J.	WIFE	W	F	NOV	1859	41	M	21	8	7	TEX	ALA	MISS							"	"	"			
				JAMES M.C.	SON	W	M	SEPT	1879	20	S				TEX.	MISS	TEX.				FARM LABORER		4	"	"	"			
				JESSIA M.	DAUG	W	F	JAN	1885	15	S				TEX	MISS	TEX							"	"	"			
				LEONE V.	DAUG	W	F	JULY	1887	13	S				TEX	MISS	TEX						6	"	"	"			
				LUCY JANE	DAUG	W	F	MAR	1892	8	S				TEX	MISS	TEX							"	"	"			
				BELVA F.	DAUG	W	F	FEB	1895	5	S				TEX	MISS	TEX												
				OLIAN J.	SON	W	M	NOV	1898	1	S				TEX	MISS	TEX												

	[illegible]	[illegible]															
	" James Edmund	Son	w	m	Oct	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
	" Rubie	"	w	f	[illegible]	1900	3/12	S				[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
140 141 141 142	Farrow Jan [illegible] 1/26 Pt	Head 4b	w	m	Aug	[illegible]	[illegible]	M	8			[illegible]					
	" Lizzy L.	wife	w	f	Nov	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		5	4	Alabama	Georgia	Texas	[illegible]		X
	" Myrtle	D	w	f	Nov	1892	7	S				Texas	Alabama	Alabama			
	" James Ira	Son	w	m	Nov	[illegible]	[illegible]	S				Texas	Alabama	Alabama			
	" Chester E	Son	w	m	June	[illegible]	4/12	S				Texas	Alabama	Alabama			
	" Roy T.	Son	w	m	June	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				Texas	Alabama	Alabama			
141 142 142 143	Thompson James 4/14 Pt	Head 2b	w	m	Mar	[illegible]	41	M	14			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		X
	" Louisa	wife	w	f	Jan	[illegible]	33	M	[illegible]	2	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
	" C. Maria	D	w	f	Mar	[illegible]	13	S				[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
	" Isabelle C.	"	w	f	Aug	[illegible]	11	S				[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]			
142 143 143 144	Norwood Wm M 9/9 Pt	Head 7b	w	m	Jany	1851	[illegible]	M	23			Missouri	Tennessee	Tenn	[illegible]		
	" Susan E	wife	w	f	Oct	[illegible]	[illegible]	M	23	6	[illegible]	Texas	Mississippi	Mississippi			
	" Mary E	D	w	f	Sept	1884	15	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas			
	" John T	Son	w	m	[illegible]	[illegible]	13	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas			
	" Martha B	D	w	f	Jan	1888	12	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas	Farm Labor	4	
	" Effie C	D	w	f	Oct	1889	10	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas			
	" Noah W	Son	w	m	June	1891	8	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas			
	" Willey	D	w	f	June	1894	5	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas		6	
	" Gerald L	Son	w	m	Mar	1898	2	S				Texas	Missouri	Texas			
143 144 144 145	Atkinson Sarah 5/5 Pt	Head 4b	w	f	July	1847	52	M	33	10	8	Ohio					
	" Larry E	Son	w	m	June	1870	29	S				Illinois	New York	Ohio	Farmer		
	" Edgar A	Son	w	m	Nov	1882	18	S				Texas	New York	Ohio	Farm Labor		
	" Ira N	Son	w	m	July	1887	12	S				Texas	New York	Ohio	Farm Labor		
	" E Emma	D	w	m	Aug	1892	7	S				Texas	New York	New York			
144 145 145 146	McDonald Alm 5/5 Pt	Head 2b 1R	w	m	[illegible]	1860	[illegible]	M	8			Texas	Alabama	Tennessee	Farmer		R 13
	Ada M	wife	w	f	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	M	8	2	2	Texas	[illegible]	[illegible]			
	Herbert	Son	w	m	July	1894	5	S				Texas	Texas	Texas			
	Earl	Son	w	m	Jany	1898	1	S				Texas	Texas	Texas			
	M Ann	Mother	w	f	Oct	1834	65	W		9	4	Tennessee	Not known	Tennessee			
145 146 146 147	Ballard Homer 7/7 Pt	Head 5b	w	m	Jan	1866	34	M	7			Texas	S Carolina	Florida	Farmer		X 133
	Ida Lu	wife	w	f	Sept	1872	27	M	7	6	5	Texas	Texas	Kentucky			
	Beula May	D	w	f	Mar	1894	6	S				Ind Territory	Texas	Texas			
	Leonard H	Son	w	m	Jan	1896	4	S				Ind Territory	Texas	Texas			
	Hettie J	D	w	f	Mar	1899	[illegible]	S				Texas	Texas	Texas			
	Scott Wm	Step Son	w	m	Nov	1887	12	S				Texas	Texas	Texas	Farm Labor	5	
	Pearl	Step Son	w	m	Aug	1890	9	S				Texas	Texas	Texas		6	
[illegible]	King Wm M 8/8	Head	w	m	Jan	1847	52	M	21			Mississippi	N Carolina	Tennessee	Farmer		
	Mary J	wife	w	f	Nov	[illegible]	[illegible]	M	21	8	7	Texas	Alabama	Mississippi			
	[illegible]	Son	w	m	Sept	1879	20	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas	Farm Labor	4	
	[illegible]	[illegible]	w	f	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	S				Texas	Mississippi	~~Mississippi~~ Texas			
	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]				[illegible]	[illegible]	Texas		6	

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SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

State: Texas
County: [illegible]
Township or other division of county: East Half of Precinct No 1
Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division,
Name of Institution,
Ward of city,
Supervisor's District No. 4
Enumeration District No. 27
Sheet No. 9
Enumerated by me on the 13 & 14 day of June, 1900, J O Moore, Enumerator.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		King Lucy Jane	Do	W	F	Mar	1895	5	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas						6	Yes	Yes	Yes				
		Belva J	Do	W	F	Feby	1895	5	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas													
		Oscar J	Son	W	M	Mar	1898	2	S				Texas	Mississippi	Texas													
147	148	Smart, Pink 9/9	Head 10	W	M	April	1855	45	M	13			Texas	N. Carolina	Mississippi				Farmer			Yes	Yes	Yes	O	F	F	135
		Malinda Pt	Wife	W	F	Mar	1868	32	M	13	6	6	Alabama	Not Known	Not Known							Yes	Yes	Yes				
		T. Lonnie	Son	W	M	Jany	1887	13	S				Texas	Texas	Alabama				Farm Labor		5	Yes	Yes	Yes				
		McLean	Son	W	M	Mar	1888	11	S				Texas	Texas	Alabama				Farm Labor		3	Yes	Yes	Yes				
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		Myrtle E	Do	W	F	Jany	1893	7	S				Texas	Texas	Alabama						4							
		Mary F	Do	W	F	Dec	1896	3	S				Texas	Texas	Alabama													
		Flora	Do	W	F	Dec	1899	5/12	S				Texas	Texas	Alabama													
		McDonald Sherman	Hired hand	W	M	Dec	1879	20	S				Texas	Texas					Farm Labor			Yes	Yes	Yes				
148	149	Pearson Wm H 11/11 Pt	Head 96	W	M	Oct	1854	45	M	23			Texas	Arkansas	[illegible]				Farmer			Yes	Yes	Yes	O	F		
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		Willie L	Son	W	M	Aug	1883	16	S				Texas	Texas	Texas				Farm Labor		4	Yes	Yes	Yes				
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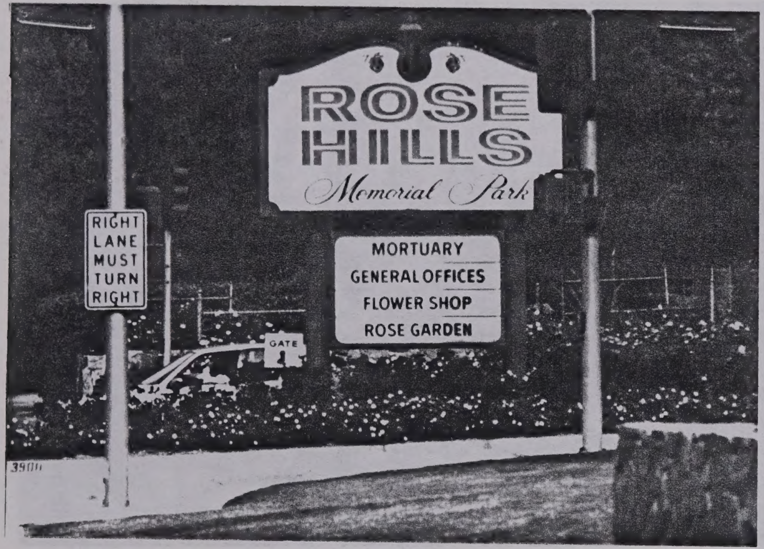
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Memorial Park
MORTUARY
GENERAL OFFICES
FLOWER SHOP
ROSE GARDEN
RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT
GATE 1
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Sept. 18, 1991
Entrance to Gate 1 of
Rose Hills Memorial Park
3900 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, California

This is the worlds' largest
cemetery.

Rose Hills Gate 1
ROSE
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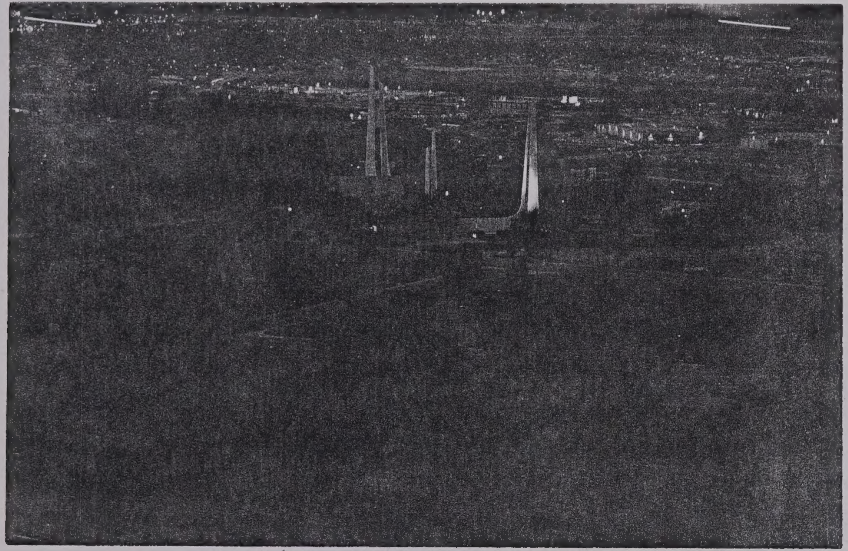


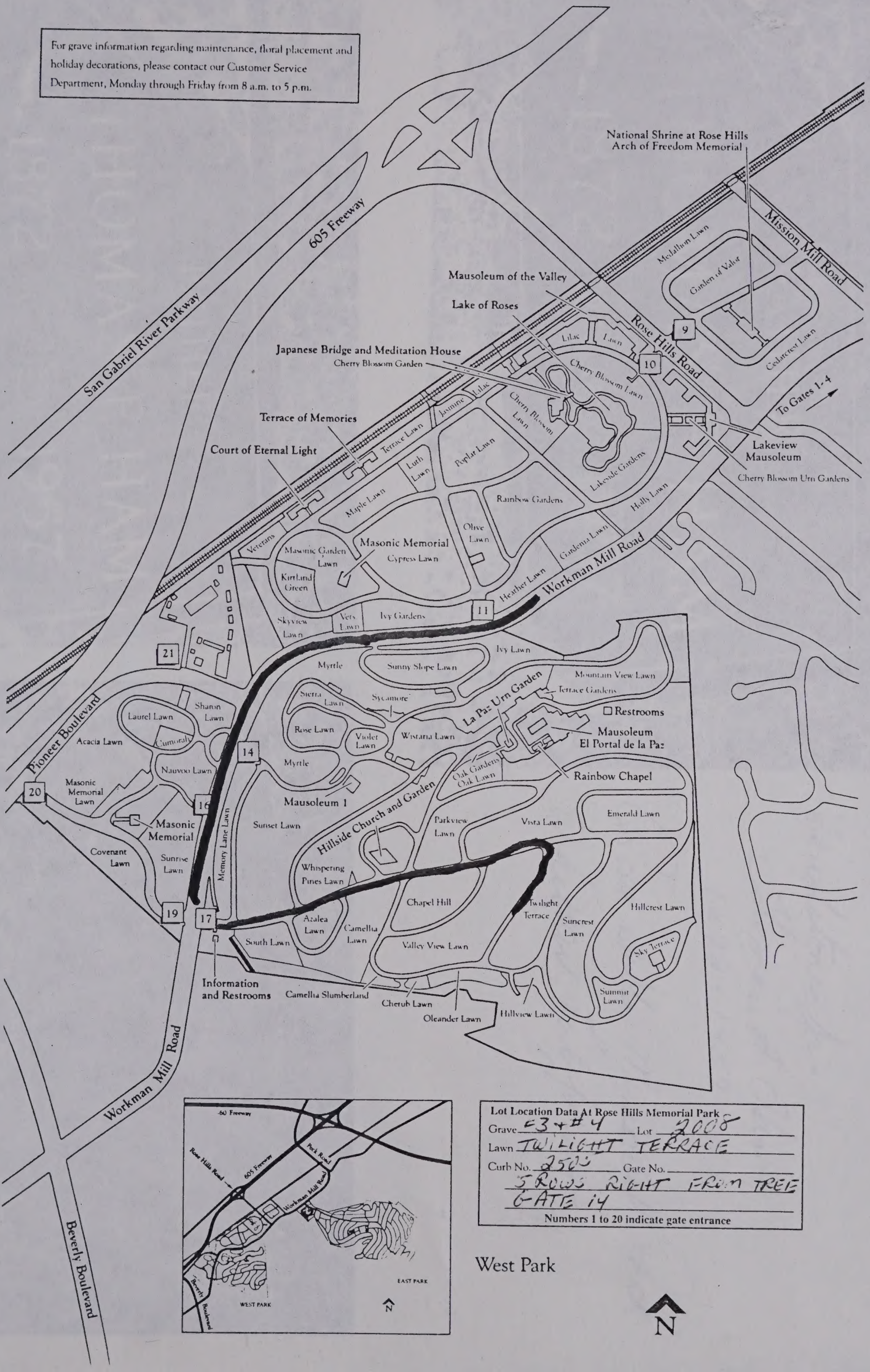
↗ Memorial Chapel

Rose Hills Memorial Park
3900 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, California

The world's largest cemetery.

Pagent of Roses Garden
Offers approximatily 7,000 rose bushes in over 600 varieties. All five classifications of roses can be found in the Park garden, from history's oldest moss rose to the current All-America title winners.

For grave information regarding maintenance, floral placement and holiday decorations, please contact our Customer Service Department, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.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Workman Mill Road
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Rose Hills Road
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To Gates 1-4
National Shrine at Rose Hills
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Mausoleum of the Valley
Lake of Roses
Japanese Bridge and Meditation House
Cherry Blossom Garden
Terrace of Memories
Court of Eternal Light
Lakeview Mausoleum
Cherry Blossom Urn Gardens
Medallion Lawn
Garden of Valor
Cedarcrest Lawn
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Veterans
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Gardenia Lawn
Kirtland Green
Heather Lawn
Skyview Lawn
Vets Lawn
Ivy Gardens
Ivy Lawn
Myrtle
Sunny Slope Lawn
Mountain View Lawn
Terrace Gardens
La Paz Urn Garden
Restrooms
Mausoleum El Portal de la Paz
Sierra Lawn
Sycamore
Sharon Lawn
Laurel Lawn
Cumorah
Rose Lawn
Violet Lawn
Wistaria Lawn
Acacia Lawn
Nauvoo Lawn
Myrtle
Oak Gardens
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Mausoleum 1
Hillside Church and Garden
Parkview Lawn
Vista Lawn
Emerald Lawn
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Covenant Lawn
Sunrise Lawn
Whispering Pines Lawn
Chapel Hill
Twilight Terrace
Hillcrest Lawn
Suncrest Lawn
Azalea Lawn
Camellia Lawn
South Lawn
Valley View Lawn
Sky Terrace
Summit Lawn
Information and Restrooms
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Rose Hills Road
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EAST PARK
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West Park

Lot Location Data At Rose Hills Memorial Park

Grave #3 + #4 Lot 2008

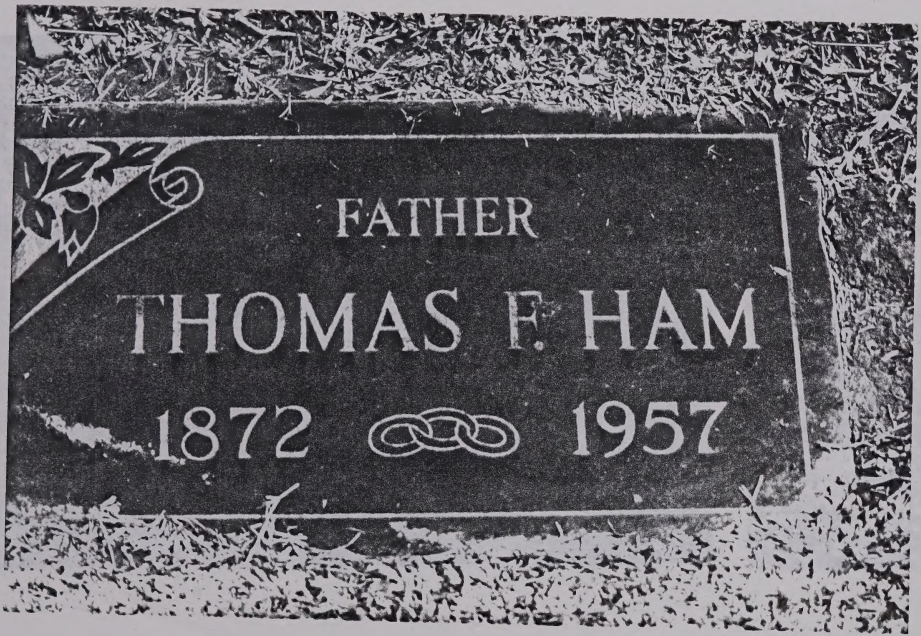
Lawn TWILIGHT TERRACE

Curb No. 2500 Gate No.

5 ROWS RIGHT FROM TREE

GATE 14

Numbers 1 to 20 indicate gate entrance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1872 1957

Sept. 18, 1991

Headstone for-
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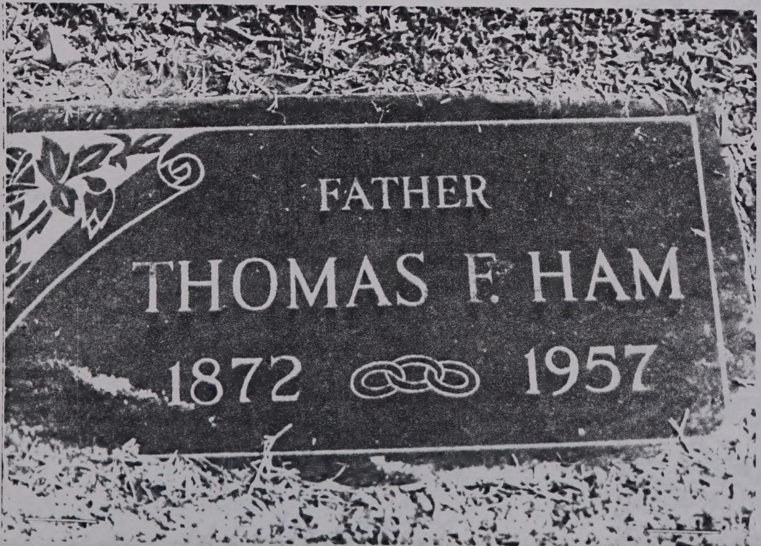
1872-1957

Rose Hills Memorial Park
Whittier, California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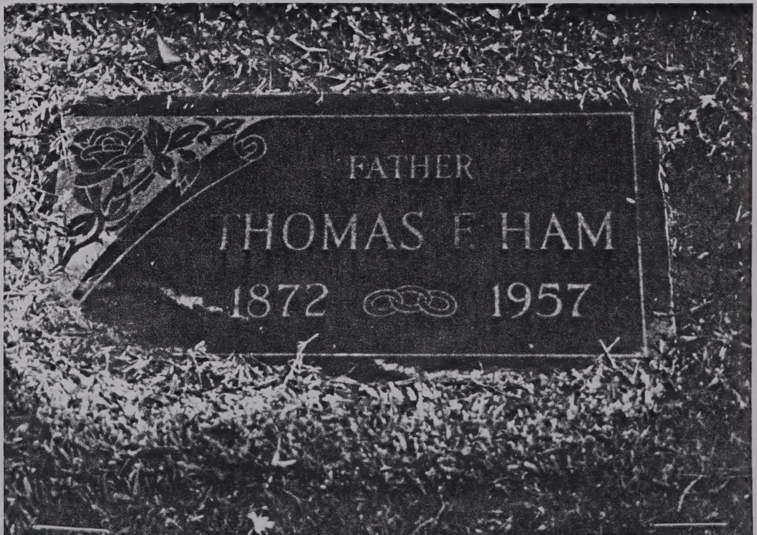
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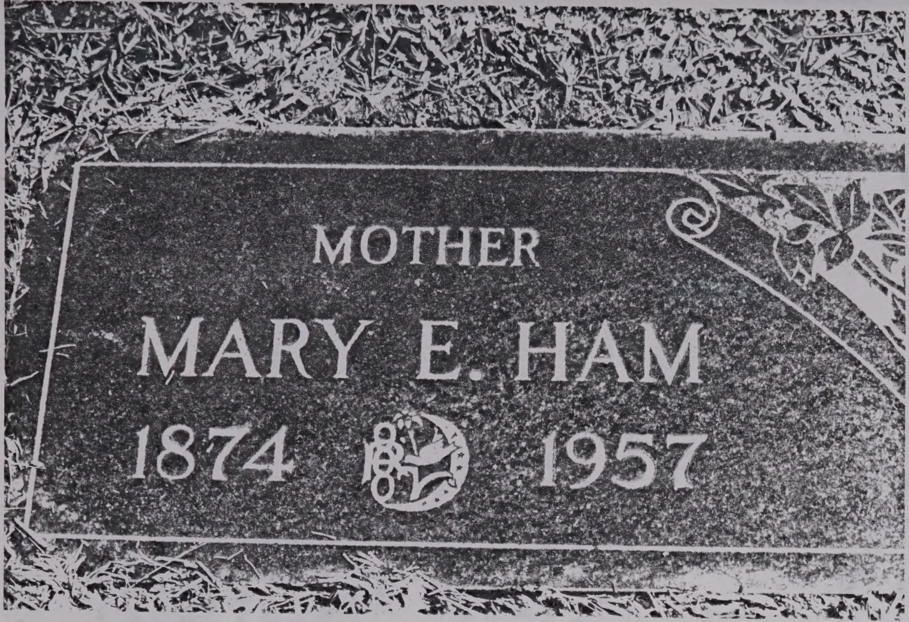
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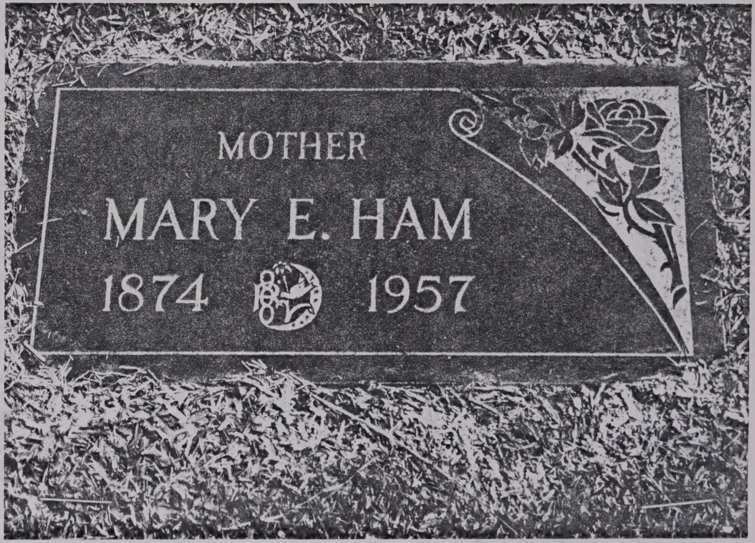
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ROSE HILLS GUIDE

WEST PARK

Welcome to Rose Hills Memorial Park, America's most naturally beautiful memorial park.

With over 2,500 acres of property for current use or future development, Rose Hills Memorial Park is the largest cemetery in the world.

Although it is purposely secluded, Rose Hills is only minutes away from any point in the Greater Los Angeles or Orange County areas, and offers a full range of services to meet the memorialization needs of Southland families.

While you visit with us today, use this Park Guide to find the location of our many lawns, chapels, mausoleums and other points of interest - all found within one convenient place.

Be sure to note the guide's two versions - The East Park and the West Park.

The East Park section, Gates 1 through 4, highlights the park's most recent additions. In this area you will find the fragrant Pageant of Roses Garden, plus the dramatic Memorial Chapel with its three towering spires, unusual curved roofline, and wall of faceted glass. Also located in the East Park is The Gardens, a 3.4 acre development, featuring a 200-foot-long black granite memorial wall and cascading waterfall.

The West Park section, Gates 8 through 20, details the original park development which was established in 1914. Rainbow Chapel and Hillside Chapel can be found in this area. Other points of interest include El Portal de la Paz, the 1930 Spanish-style mausoleum; the Eastern motif of the Japanese Garden; and the Arch of Freedom Memorial, dedicated to veterans in 1976.

If you are unable to find a particular site or have questions, Rose Hills staff can be found just inside Gate 1 and Gate 17 to provide you with additional information.

ROSE HILLS
Memorial Park

THINGS TO KNOW

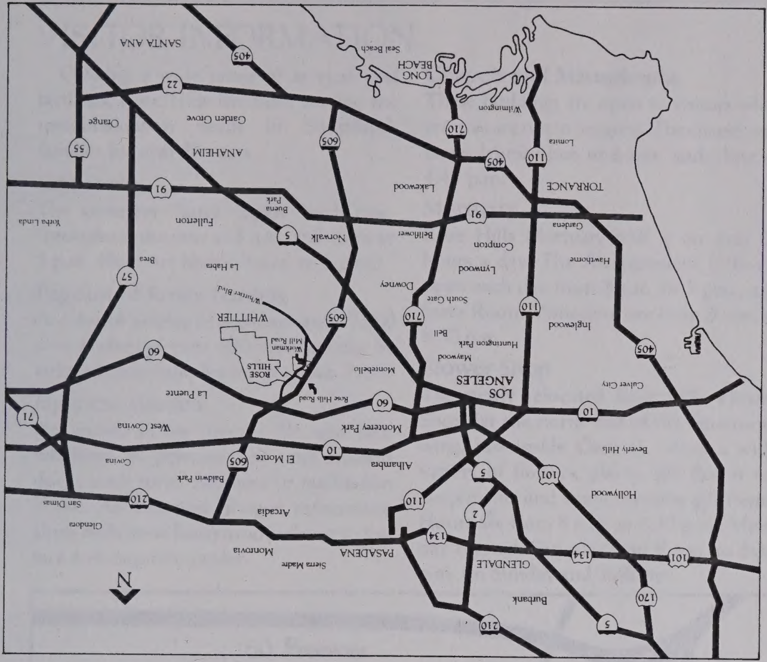
Flowers and Decorations - The planting of shrubs, trees and flowers by non-park personnel is prohibited. Cut flowers may be placed in gravesite vases which can be purchased at the Rose Hills Flower Shop or at the Arrangements Office. Artifical flowers and decorations are permitted during these holidays: Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, Veteran's Day and Christmas. To find out the exact day flowers and decorations will be removed after a holiday, call ext. 323 or 370.

Flower Removal - Flowers will be removed from gravesites 2 days after funeral services have concluded.

Grave Locations - For grave location information, call ext. 256 or 257.

Group Tours - If you would like to schedule a tour for your group or organization, contact the Marketing Department at ext. 300. The tours are approximately 2 hours long and advance arrangements are necessary.

For further information, call Rose Hills at (213) 699-0921 or (714) 739-0601 from Orange County.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Covina
Beverly Hills
Monterey Park
West Covina
Culver City
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Workman Mill Road
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South Gate
Downey
La Habra
Brea
Lynwood
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Compton
Gardena
Bellflower
Norwalk
Fullerton
Yorba Linda
Buena Park
TORRANCE
Lakewood
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Garden Grove
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Wilmington
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ROSE HILLS, A PLACE TO REMEMBER

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VISITOR INFORMATION

Offering a wide range of services and facilities, Rose Hills has been serving the memorialization needs of Southland families for over 75 years.

Cemetery

The cemetery gates open each day throughout the year at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. (Summer hours: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

Pageant of Roses Garden

A colorful display of approximately 7,000 rose bushes in over 600 varieties can be enjoyed daily from 8 a.m. to sunset. Free.

Japanese Garden

An arched bridge over a 2½ acre lake inhabited by Japanese koi and mallard ducks leads to an Azumaya or meditation house. An authentic Shogun monument, along with snow lanterns adds flavor to this rare and exquisite garden.

Chapels and Mausoleums

These buildings are open to visitors when services are not in progress. The chapels and mausoleums open at 8 a.m. and close at 4:45 p.m.

Mortuary

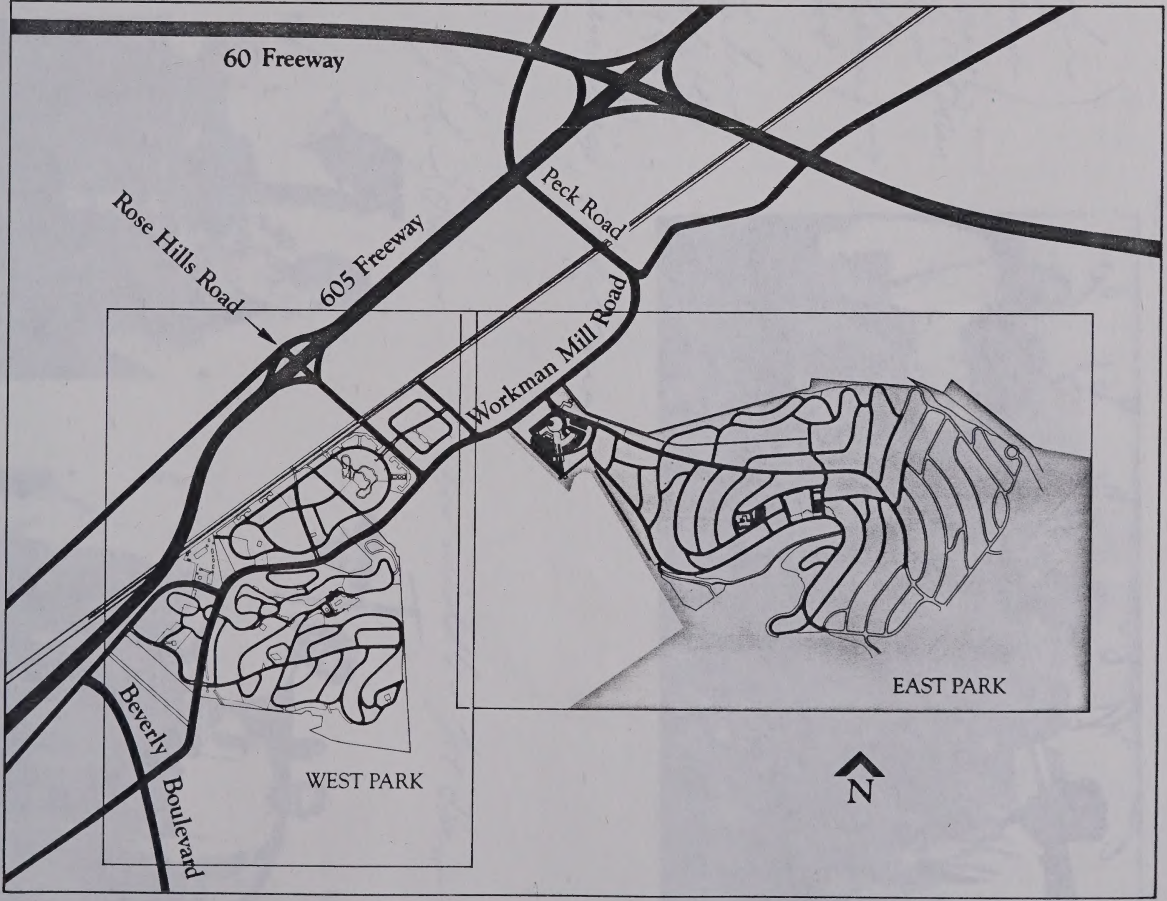
Rose Hills Mortuary staff is on duty 24 hours a day. The Arrangements Office is open each day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and State Room Visitations are from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

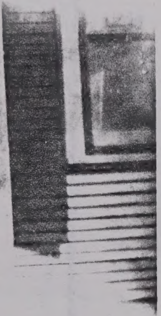
Flower Shop

The newly relocated Rose Hills Flower Shop (at the north end of the Stateroom wing, just inside Gate 1), offers a wide variety of flowers, plants, silk flower arrangements and some specialty gift items. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday and holidays.

Business Offices

Located in the Administration Building, the business office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The cashier's office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. For your convenience, a late-hour payment depository has been installed in the corridor between the Stateroom and Mortuary reception areas, where payments can be made up to 8:30 p.m. seven days a week, when the business offices are closed.





↗ Erma
Bertie
Mary Belle
Mary
Freida
} Ham

Taken maybe
about 1925/1926
Texas

John
Lena
Mary
Fern
Thelma
Joe
} Ham →

Taken
probably
1947
San Diego, California

Bertie
Thelma
} Ham

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Mary
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John
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in middle - Joe Ham

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T. F. Ham, et al

To

George Posey

DEED

Filed for record at 11:20 o'clock a.m. June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly, Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

State of Louisiana,

Parish of Red River.

BE IT KNOWN, That this day before me, Thos. W. Nettles Notary Public in and for said Parish, duly commissioned and sworn came and appeared T. F. Ham, husband of Miss Mai King, a resident of Potter County, Texas, J. D. Ham, husband of Miss Hattie Shannon, and G. D. Ham, husband of Miss Mollie Gibbs, both residents of Donly County, State of Texas, the said two last appearers being herein represented by their true and lawful agent and attorney in fact, T. F. Ham, who appears herein as representatives of the said J. D. Ham and G. D. Ham, under power of attorney hereto annexed and made a part of this sale and transfer, who declared that he does by these presents grant, Bargain, sell, convey and deliver, with full guarantee of title, and with complete transfer and subrogation of all rights and actions of warranty against all former proprietors of the property herein conveyed, unto George Posey, husband of Miss Lena Shaughnessy, a resident of Red River Parish, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

The North Half of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Sec. 36; and one & 2/3 acres of land described as follows: Commencing on the west line 385 yards south of the Northwest corner of the NE¼ of SW¼ of Sec. 36 and running East 146-2/3 yards, South 55 yards, West 146 2/3 yards, North 55 yards to place of beginning in Sec. 36; also fifteen acres of land in said Sec. 36, described as follows to-wit: Commencing at the Southwest corner of North Hanf of Northeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter and running thence 440 yards East, South 165 yards, West 440 yards, thence North 165 yards to the point of beginning and containing in the 36 2/3 acres, all in Twp. 13 N. R. 10 West, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon situated; said first described 20 acres of land being designated at Lot # 2 and being the Lot drawn by the heirs of W. T. Ham (sometimes known as W. A. Ham) in partition made before J. F. Stephens, Notary Public, on Feby. 18, 1920, and recorded in Book 36 of Conv. p. 295, of the Red River Parish records; and the second and third tracts described herein being known as Lots 3 & 5 & being the lots drawn by the heirs of John C. Ham in said partition heretofore referred to; said partition being made pursuant to judgment rendered in suit No. 7544 entitled Sam Lisso, et als vs. Heirs of John C. Ham, et als, on the Docket of the District Court of Red River Parish, Louisiana, to which act of partition and suit are specially referred to as a part hereof; said vendors herein being the only heirs & representatives of their father W. T. Ham (sometimes W. A. Ham) and of their Undle, John C. Ham, and recognized as such and placed in possession of said property as the sole owners thereof under judgment of the District Court of Red River Parish, filed June 7, 1926, and recorded in the Succession Records of Red River Parish, Louisiana.

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To have and to hold said described property unto said purchaser, his heirs and assigns forever.

This sale is made for the consideration of the sum of Three Hundred & Sixty-Six & two-thirds ($366 2/3) & no/100 dollars cash in hand paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

The certificate of mortgages is hereby waived by the parties and evidence of the payment of taxes produced.

DONE AND PASSED at my office in said Parish of Red River, in presence of Hy. W. Bethard, Jr., and J. B. Howard, competent witnesses, on this the 8th. day of June, A.D. nineteen hundred and twenty-six. (1926).

Attest:	T. F. Ham
Hy. W. Bethard, Jr.	J. D. Ham
J. B. Harvill	By T. F. Ham, Agent & Attorney in fact.
	G. D. Ham,
	By T. F. Ham, Agent & attorney in fact.
	Geo. J. Posey

Thos. W. Nettles, Notary Public.

Attest, a true record, recorded June 8, 1926.

M. A. Conly

Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder.

CENSUS REPORTS

1880===Comanche County, Texas Post Office-Comanche
Taken 10th & 11th June 1880 by Thomas O. Moore 4th District page 18 on left side
Dwelling #152 Family #152 Shows Thomas F. Ham, age 9 yrs. old, white male born in Texas living w/parents Wm. A. & Margret E. Ham, brothers John Daniel, Wm. A. Jr., Joel Henry, Geo. Dallas & Luther Edgar & sister Martha.

1990===Comanche County, Texas Precint 1
Taken 29 June 1900 by W.S. Grow Sheet B Enumeration Dist. #200 House #203

Ham, Thomas F.	Head	W	M	Dec	1871	28	Marr 4 yrs.		Farmer/rents farm sched-
Mary E.	Wife	W	F	Jun	1874	25	Marr 4 yrs.	2 children/1 living	Both Tom & Mary/ule # 186
Charles C.	Son	W	M	Mar	1899	1			/read & write

Tom	Born-Texas	Father B-Tennessee	Mother B-Missouri
Mary	Alabama	Alabama	Mississippi
Charles	Texas	Texas	Alabama

1910===Comanche County, Texas Township of Comanche
Dwelling #195 Family #157

Ham, Thomas	Head	M	W	37	Marr 14 yrs	Texas	Louisiana	Georgia
Mary	Wife	F	W	35	Marr 14 yrs	Alabama	Alabama	Mississippi
Carroll C,	Son	M	W	11		Texas	Texas	Alabama
John W.	Son	M	W	8		Texas	Texas	Alabama
Joseph F.	Son	M	W	6		Texas	Texas	Alabama
Mary C.	Daug	F	W	4		Texas	Texas	Alabama
Thomas J.	Son	M	W	10/12		Texas	Texas	Alabama

1880 CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

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Comanche County, Texas

Notes: Post Office - Comanche 4th DISTRICT

Taken 10th + 11th June 1880 BY THOMAS O. MOORE

Place of Enumeration:

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remarks
18 ON LEFT SIDE	152	152	HAM, WM. A.	W	M	47		HEAD						FARMER			TENN	N.C.	TENN.		
			MARGRET E	W	F	44		WIFE						KEEP HOUSE			MO.	GA.	GA		
			JOHN DANIEL	W	M	23		SON						FARMER			TEX	TENN	MO.		
			WM. A., JR.	W	M	17		SON						FARMER			TEX	TENN	MO		
			JOEL HENRY	W	M	14		SON						WORKS ON FARM			TEX	TENN	MO		
			MARTHA	W	F	11		DAUL.						AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MO		
			THOMAS F.	W	M	9		SON						AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MO		
			GEO. DALLAS	W	M	6		SON						AT HOME			TEX	TENN	MO		
			LUTHER EDGAR	W	M	3		SON						AT HOME							

g Dist. No. 4

on Dist. No. # 31 st

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

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ULE I.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E D #31), in the County of Comanche, State of Te

enumerated by me on the 10 and 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M

Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Personal Description: Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mulatto, Mu.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: 3/12.	If born within the Census year, give the month.	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Civil Condition: Single	Married	Widowed, Divorced D.	Married during Census year	Occupation: Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Health: Is the person (on the day of the Enumerator's visit) sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind	Deaf and Dumb	Idiotic	Insane	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled	Education: Attended school within the Census year	Cannot read	Cannot write	Nativity: Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
152	Ham Wm A	W	M	47				1			Farmer	✓											
"	" Margret E.		F	44		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Tenn	N.C.
"	" John Daniel		M	23		Son	1				Farmer	✓									1	Mo	Ga
"	" William A		M	17		"	1				" "	✓										Texas	Tenn
"	" Joell Henry		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	—										"	"
"	" Martha		F	11		Daught	1				at Home								1			"	"
"	" Thomas F		M	9		Son	1												1			"	"
"	" Geo Dallas		M	6		"	1				" "								1			"	"
"	" Luther Edgar		M	3		"	1				" "											"	"
153	Martin W. M		M	24				1			Farmer	✓										"	"
"	" Sinia		F	25		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Texas	Tenn
154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Mo
"	" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Ill	Tenn
"	" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Farming	✓										Texas	Mo
"	" Geo Alx		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	✓										"	Ill
"	" Lorin G.		M	12		"	1				" " "											"	"
"	" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				At School								1			"	"
"	" James P		M	8		Son	1				" Home								1			"	"
"	" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" "											"	"
"	" Chls F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			Farmer	✓										"	"
"	" Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Keepinghouse											Va	Va
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"	" Rebecca E		F	5		Daught	1				" "											Texas	Va
"	" Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											"	"
"	" Wm Columbus		M	4/12	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
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"	" " Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Keepinghouse	12	Consumption									S.C.	Va
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THE Inhabitants in [illegible], in the County of [illegible], State of

enumerated by me on the [illegible] day of June, 1880.

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Enumeration district	House No.	Sheet	Line	Names	Relationship to head of house	Color	Sex	Month and year of birth	Age	Marital status	Years married	Mother of how many children	No. of these children living	Person's birthplace	Father's birthplace	Mother's birthplace	Year of immigration	No. of years in U.S.	Naturalized	Occupation	Remarks
200	203			HAM, THOMAS F.	HEAD	W	M	DEC. 1871	28	M	4			TEX	TENN	MISSOURI				FARMER	← RENTS FARM w/186 -FARM SCHEDULE
				MARY B.	WIFE	W	F	JUNE 1874	25	M	4	2	1	ALA.	ALA	MISSISSIPPI				BOTH READ + WRITE	
				CHARLES C.	SON	W	M	MAR. 1899	1					TEX	TEX	ALA.					

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Line	LOCATION: House number city or town	LOCATION: Number of dwelling house	LOCATION: Number of family	NAME of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	RELATION: Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	NATIVITY: Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Line
1		145	157	HAM, THOMAS	HEAD	M	W	37	M	14			TEXAS	LOUISIANA	GEORGIA	1
2				MARY	WIFE	F	W	35	M	14			ALABAMA	ALABAMA	ALABAMA	2
3				CARROLL C.	SON	M	W	11					TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	3
4				JOHN W.	SON	M	W	8					"	"	"	4
5				JOSEPH F.	SON	M	W	6					"	"	"	5
6				MARY C.	DAUGHTER	F	W	4					"	"	"	6
7				THOMAS J.	SON	M	W	10/12					"	"	"	7
8																8

Line	CITIZENSHIP: Year of immigration to U.S.	Naturalized or Alien	Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	OCCUPATION: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by person, as *spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.*	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which person works, as *cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.*	Whether an employer, employee, or working own account.	If employee: Out of work on April 15, 1910.	If employee: Weeks out of work during year 1909.	EDUCATION: Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1909	OWNERSHIP OF HOME: Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether survivor Union, Confederate Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes).	Whether deaf and dumb.	REMARKS	Line
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L. E. King
Attorney-At Law
Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there wheresbouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King

Copy

September 10, 1951

Mr. Garland Smith
Attorney at Law
Jasper, Texas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 2, beg to advise that I have been discussing this matter with the Ham heirs and have some more information for you, and also a few more questions I would like to ask.

I might not write the letter in proper order, but will give the information to you as it has been given by them. First, I wish to state that they still insist that they are correct as to their line of descent.

Mrs. Markham, who is now 75 years of age, was born April 1856, which you will see was just twenty-one years after John Gilbert received this league of land. According to the affidavit made by John Newton Gilbert, which was dated August 21, 1909, he stated he was the son of R. N. Gilbert who was commonly known as Newton, who was the son of John Gilbert, and to whom this league of land was patented: that the original John Gilbert died leaving 8 children surviving. Nancy Ham, the wife of Joel Ham, was one of the children, and Emily Gilbert being one of the children.

Further in the affidavit he says that Nancy Ham had 6 children, naming the different ones, one of whom was William Ham. William Ham is the father of Mrs. Markham, one of our clients who was born in 1856, so from that statement, you will see that it would be pretty hard for that to jibe with the statement of John Gilbert that he had moved on this place with his wife and 7 children, which was in 1835, and then, those children to have to grow to manhood and womanhood and then you see Nancy Ham was one of the children who moved on the place in 1835 and would have to grow to womanhood and marry, and then her son, William Ham, would have to be born and grow to manhood and marry and then have born to him Mrs. Markham: all of which would have to happen within a period of 21 years.

Mrs. Markham has seen Nancy Ham many times as well as Joel Ham and they were her grandparents. She still has a picture in her possession of Nancy Ham and she knows of her own knowledge that Nancy Ham is her grandmother. You will notice in the affidavit that he says Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the daughters of John Gilbert, but Mrs. Markham says she known the original Nancy Ham and also Emily Gilbert and that she has seen both of them and has been in the home of Nancy Ham and that Emily Gilbert is the sister of Nancy Ham as set out in the affidavit and that she lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, but that instead of them being the daughters of John Gilbert, they are the sisters of John Gilbert and that Ned Ham and John Gilbert were brothers and Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert were the sisters; that she knows of her own knowledge that Emily Gilbert was never married but lived with her sister, Nancy Ham, and that Ned and John Gilbert have been to the home of Nancy Ham.

I think you will find from the information I have here that this suit was filed on February 6, 1889, which date shows that the suit was filed the same year that Frances Ables married J. C. Nelson, consequently, W. H. Nelson, according to that affidavit and the true facts, could not have been born.

You state in your letter that you found powers of attorney made to John H. Brooks and Silas H. Johnson coupled with one-half interest from different parties, including Nancy Ham, through whom we claim we will inherit, but you do not state the date of those instruments, and consequently, we are unable to state whether or not they actually executed those powers of attorney. You state also that you find powers of attorney from Mary Arthur and Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham, Julia Vickers and William P. Carter with power to sell on June 22, 1901. O f course we cannot state right at this time as to Annie Chapman and Mary Arthur but we do say that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers did not execute such power of attorney because we will be able to show that Amanda Ham and Julia Vickers died long prior to that time and even before the suit was filed in 1890. I would suggest that you please get the dates of the powers of attorney from Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert in order that we might see the exact date and can prove the date of their deaths.

Please see also the deed from G. D. Ham and J. D. Ham and find out if they transferred all of their interest in this land or whether it refers to sub-division 5 thereof. The deed was made to Lee King.

In connection with this same matter, we can show that John Gilbert came from Duck County, Tennessee and never came from the North as indicated. After going over these matters again as to this information, see what you think about the situation and see if you think it would be a different proposition if we were able to prove the things they claim they can.

After you have done this, please let me hear from you further and I will try to get any additional information you think advisable.

Yours very truly,

E. O. Northcutt

She goes so far as to tell about Nancy Ham swimming a horse across some big lake down on the border of Louisiana and Texas, going over to see about this land in Sabine County, Texas when her brother, John Gilbert died. She says she has heard her grandmother, Nancy Ham, and her grand-aunt Emily Gilbert, state many times to her they were the sisters of John and Ned Gilbert, and that Nancy was the only one of the four children who married, and knows of her own knowledge that Emily died an old maid.

They state that Lauranah Rankin, Mary Harris, Salina Ables, Frances Ables, Randall Newton Gilbert and David W. Gilbert must have been from a different set of Gilberts because they know they are not in any way connected with Nancy Ham and Emily Gilbert, the original sisters of John Gilbert.

Thomas F. Ham one of these parties, states that he has been to the grave of his grandmother and that he can go there again and that the tombstone will show when she was born and when she died.

Further, concerning this affidavit, I have in my possession a letter written by Mrs. Annie Chapman and Mrs. Mary Arthur, written to Tom Ham and dated May 1, 1919, which is in part as follows:

" You asked us about Uncle John and Uncle Ned Gilbert if they were ~~ba~~ bachelors.~~and both died~~ Yes, they were both bachelors and both died rich and had no heirs except one sister, you grandmother Ham, your fathers mother, and when she died it fell to us and when we die it will all belong to brother William, your father, and when he dies, it belongs to you and I think you should have it........ Uncle John Gilbert had a league of land that I know of in Sabine County and you all should have it. Uncle Ned Gilberts land was in Llana..."

She also stated in this letter something about the instance I have already told you about as to grandmother Ham swimming a horse across a lake to see about a league of land.

You will notice in that judgement taken in 1890 where Julia Vickers, Mary Arthur, Annie Chapman, Amanda Ham and William Ham were all parties to this suit and survey # 5 was set apart to them. They say that they can prove beyond a doubt that Julia Vickers and Amanda Ham died many years before this suit was filed and could not have been parties to the suit. You will notice also that affidavit it states that Frances Ables had no child or children by her first ~~h~~ husband but that after his death she married J. C. Nelson in 1889 and in a copy of this judgment you sent me dated September term, 1890 W. H. Nelson was a party to that suit and at that time Frances Nelson herself must have been living.

In the suit of Gilbert, et al, vs. Macknechney, No. 1153 Frances M. Deed, [illegible]. H. Nelson and Virginia Tilley were the sole heirs at law of Frances Nelson, nee Tilley.

lusband CHARLES CARRELL (CARROLL) HAM

ORN 31 Mar 1899 Friday PLACE Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 13 Page 197)

IR. PLACE

ARR. Yes PLACE

IED Maybe sometime after 1972 PLACE

JR. PLACE

USBAND'S ATHER MOTHER

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife

ORN PLACE

IR. PLACE

IED PLACE

JR. PLACE

IFE'S ATHER MOTHER

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EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
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Section of Terrace of Hope, Lot 663 w/John in grave #3 & Lena in grave #4

Name	Spouses Initials	Social Security Number	County No.	Death Date
Ham, John W.	LP	572-26-3580	#70 (Los Angeles Co.)	8-28-72

Sex 1 means male 2 means female	Registrar No.	State File No.	Recorded
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Thirteenth Census Of The United States (1910 Census)

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Enumeration Date ______ Roll ______ Sheet ______ Dist. ______

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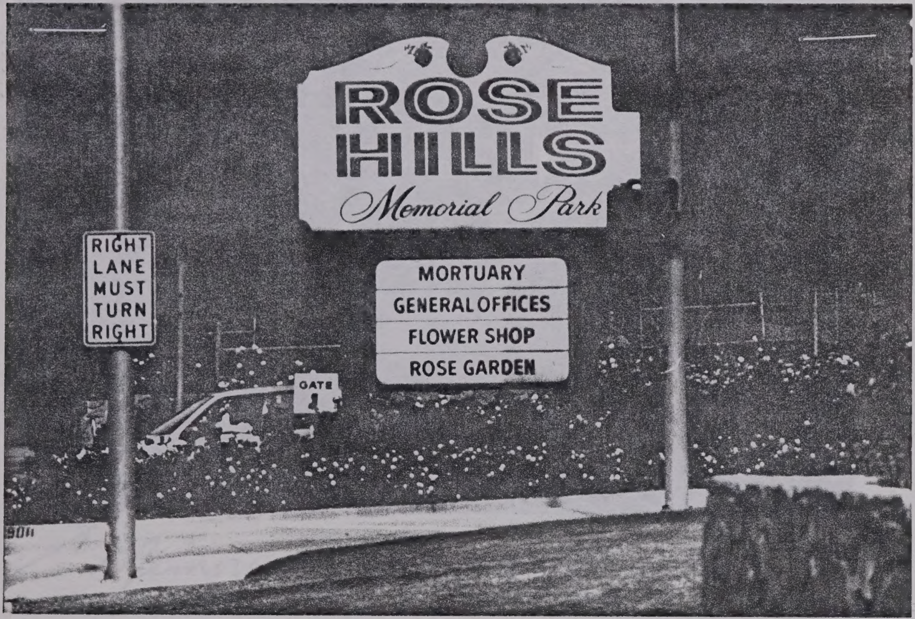
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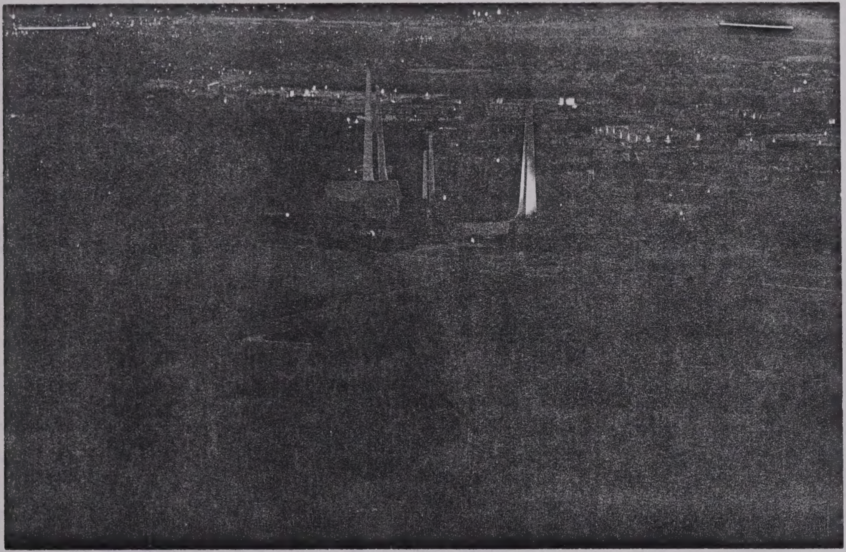

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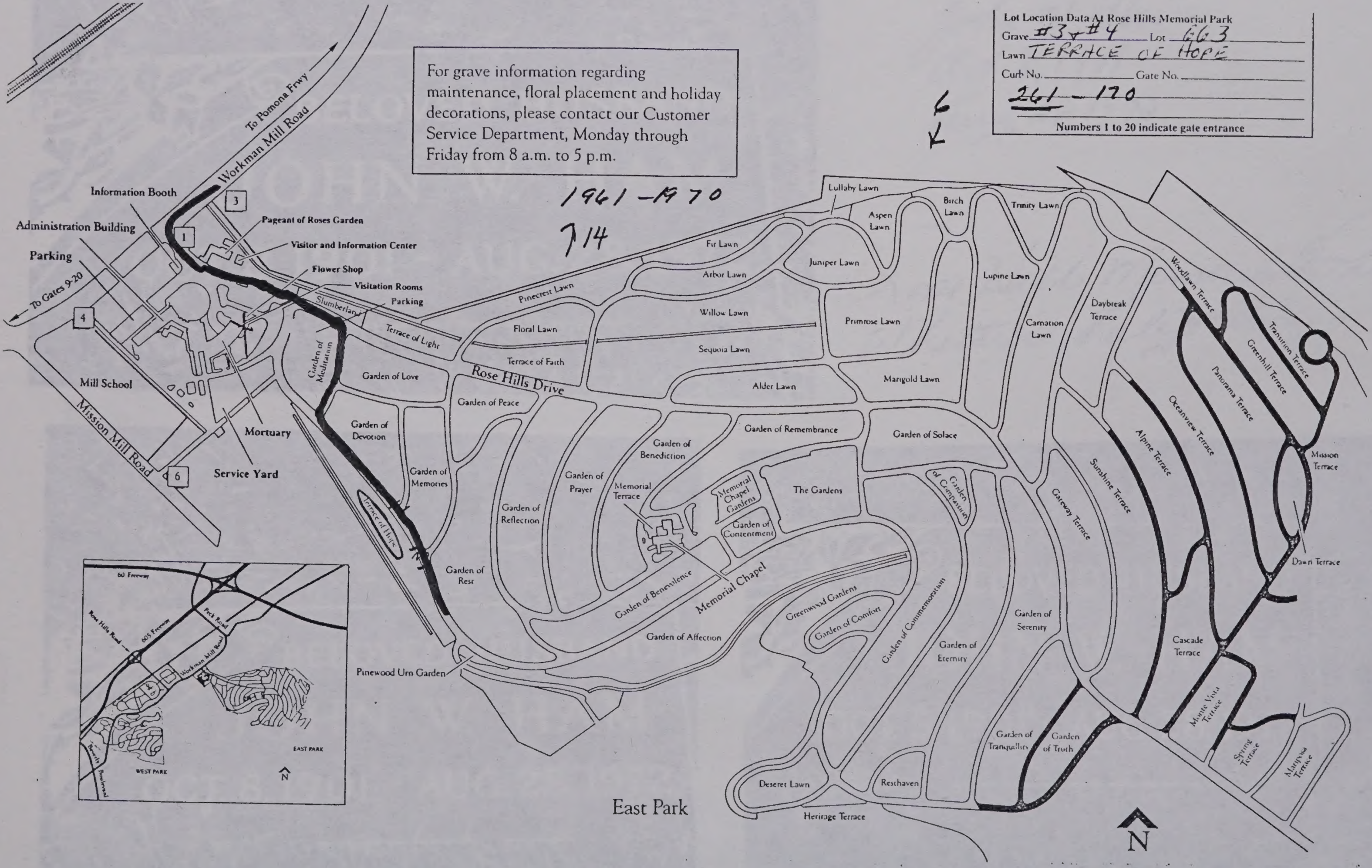
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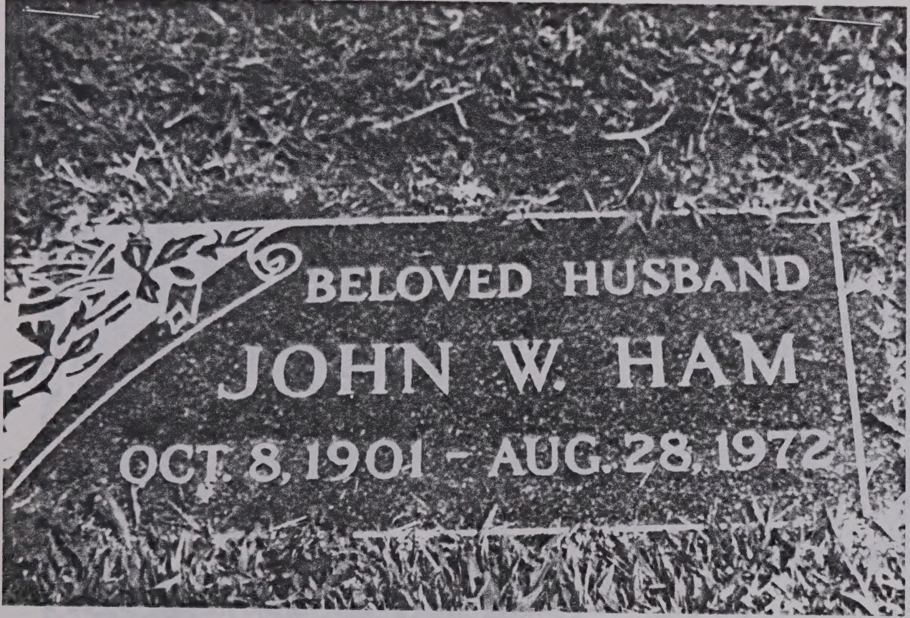
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OCT. 8, 1901 - AUG. 28, 1972

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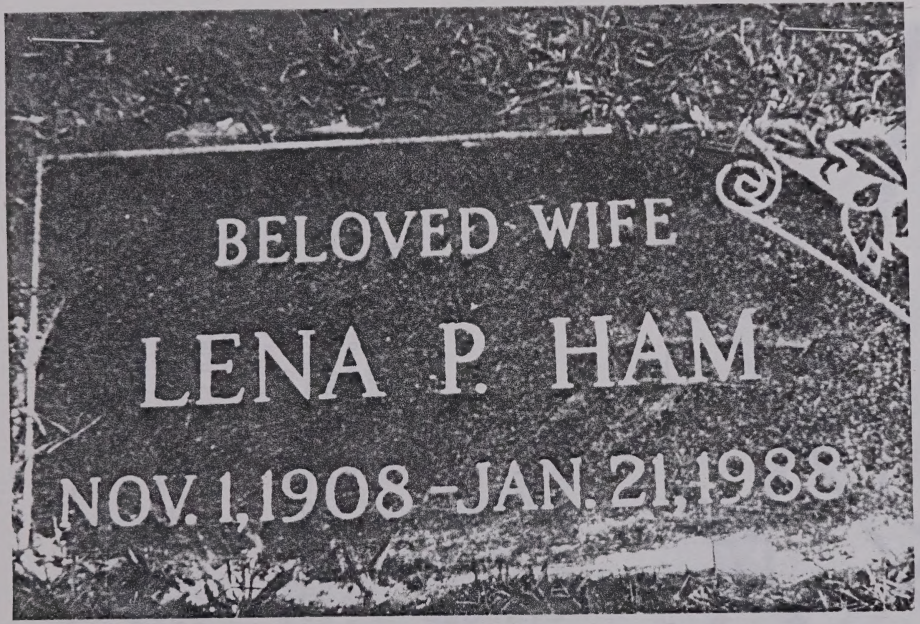
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VISITOR INFORMATION

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Cemetery
The cemetery gates open each day throughout the year at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. (Summer hours: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

Pageant of Roses Garden
A colorful display of approximately 7,000 rose bushes in over 600 varieties can be enjoyed daily from 8 a.m. to sunset. Free.

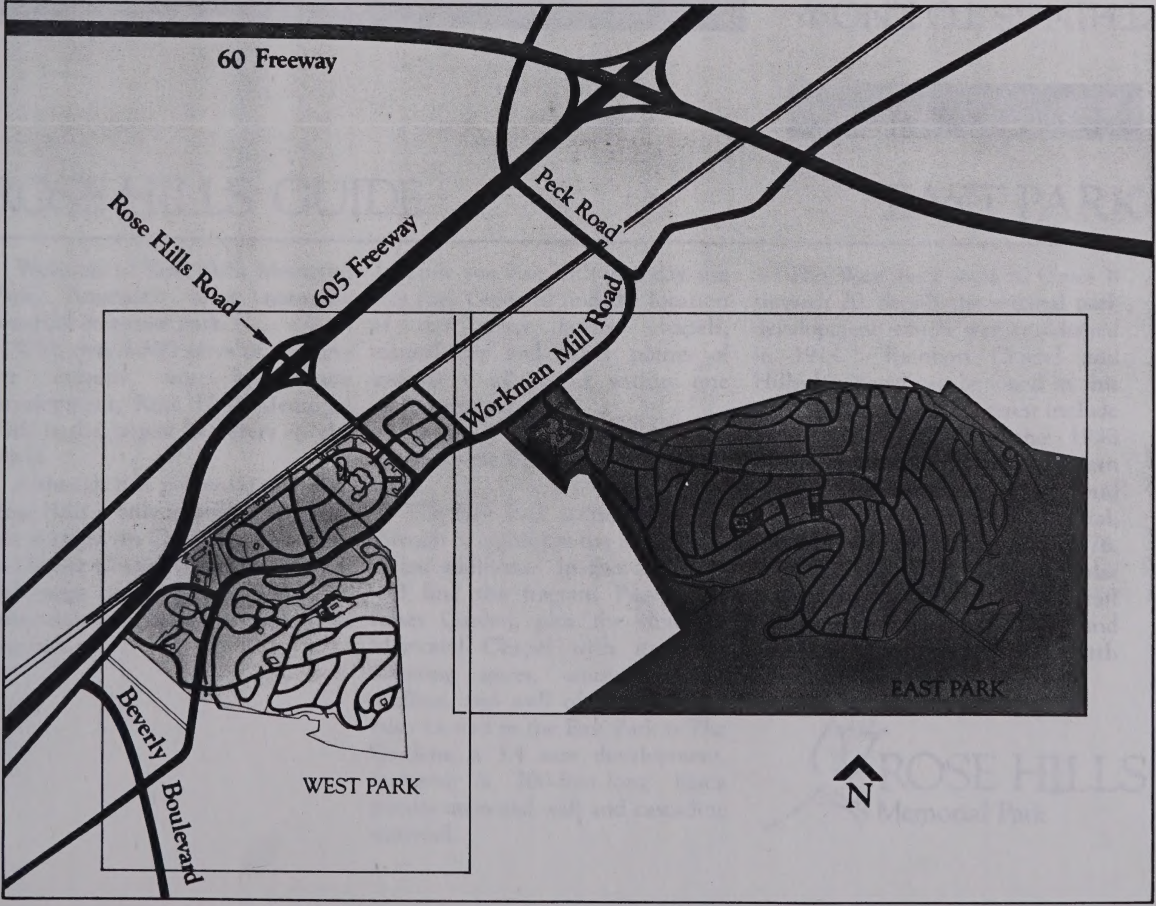
Japanese Garden
The aesthetic beauty of the East is captured in the Japanese Garden. A 2 1/2 acre lake inhabited by Japanese koi and mallard ducks is the focal point of this exquisite area, with a lakeside Azumaya or meditation house for peaceful reflection. An authentic Shogun monument and snow lanterns add flavor to this rare and exquisite garden.

Chapels and Mausoleums
These buildings are open to visitors when services are not in progress. The chapels and mausoleums open at 8 a.m. and close at 4:45 p.m.

Mortuary
Rose Hills Mortuary staff is on duty 24 hours a day. The Arrangements Office is open each day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Visitation Rooms are open 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Flower Shop
The newly relocated Rose Hills Flower Shop (at the north end of the Visitation wing, just inside Gate 1), offers a wide variety of flowers, plants, silk flower arrangements and some specialty gift items. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., daily, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on holidays.

Business Office
Located in the Administration Building, the Business Office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Cashier's Office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. For your convenience, a late-hour payment depository has been installed in the corridor between the Visitation and Mortuary reception areas, where payments can be made up to 8:30 p.m., seven days a week.



ROSE HILLS GUIDE

EAST PARK

Welcome to Rose Hills Memorial Park, America's most naturally beautiful memorial park.

With over 2,500 acres of property for current use or future development, Rose Hills Memorial Park is the largest cemetery in the world.

Although it is purposely secluded, Rose Hills is only minutes away from any point in the Greater Los Angeles or Orange County areas, and offers a full range of services to meet the memorialization needs of Southland families.

While you visit with us today, use this Park Guide to find the location of our many lawns, chapels, mausoleums and other points of interest - all found within one convenient place.

Be sure to note the guide's two versions - the East Park and the West Park.

The East Park section, Gates 1 through 6, highlights the park's most recent additions. In this area, you will find the fragrant Pageant of Roses Garden, plus the dramatic Memorial Chapel with its three towering spires, unusual curved roofline, and wall of faceted glass. Also located in the East Park is The Gardens, a 3.4 acre development, featuring a 200-foot-long black granite memorial wall and cascading waterfall.

The West Park section, Gates 8 through 20, details the original park development which was established in 1914. Rainbow Chapel and Hillside Chapel can be found in this area. Other points of interest include El Portal de la Paz, the 1930 Spanish-style mausoleum; the Eastern motif of the Japanese Garden; and the Arch of Freedom Memorial, dedicated to the veterans in 1976.

If you are unable to find a particular site or have questions, Rose Hills staff can be found just inside Gate 1 and Gate 17 to provide you with additional information.

ROSE HILLS
Memorial Park

THINGS TO KNOW

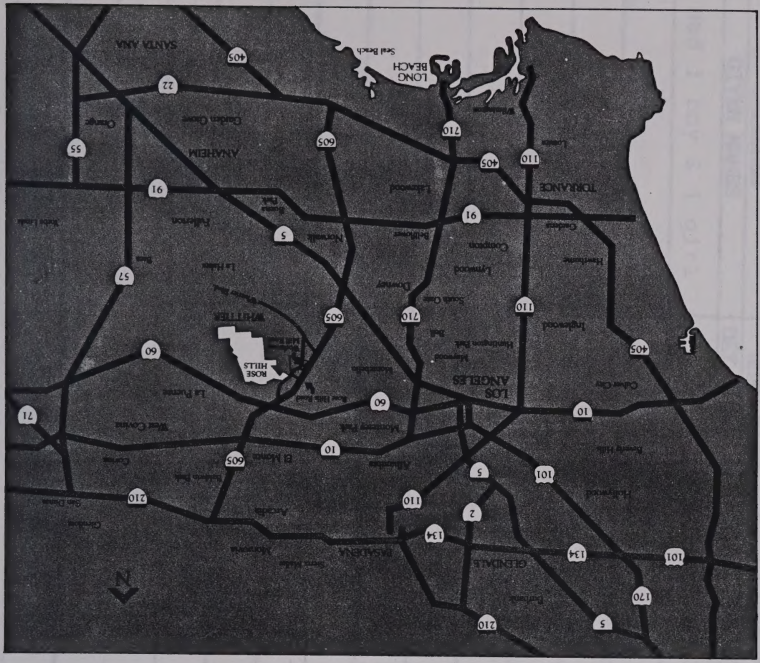
Flowers and Decorations - The planting of shrubs, trees and flowers by non-park personnel is prohibited. Cut flowers may be placed in gravesite vases which can be purchased at the Arrangements Office. Artificial flowers and decorations are permitted during these holidays: Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. To find out the exact day flowers and decorations will be removed after a holiday, call the Customer Service Department at ext. 370 or 262.

Flower Removal - Flowers will be removed from gravesites 2 days after funeral services have concluded.

Grave Locations - For grave location information, call ext. 256 or 257.

Group Tours - If you would like to schedule a tour for your group or organization, contact the Marketing Department at ext. 300. The tours are approximately 2 hours long and advance arrangements are necessary.

For further information, call Rose Hills at (213) 699-0921 or (714) 739-0601 from Orange County.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ROSE HILLS, A PLACE TO REMEMBER

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Husband JOE FRANCIS HAM(maybe Joseph Francis Ham)

BORN 3 Apr 1905 Monday PLACE Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 13 /page 197

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DIED 21 Sep 1962 Friday PLACE Los Angeles County, California (57 yrs 5 mons 18 days old)

BUR. PLACE Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, Los Angeles County, California

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1	17795	105221	pg. 9,527	
Ham, Clara T.	--	548-28-4467	#19 (Los Angeles Co.)	2-22-84
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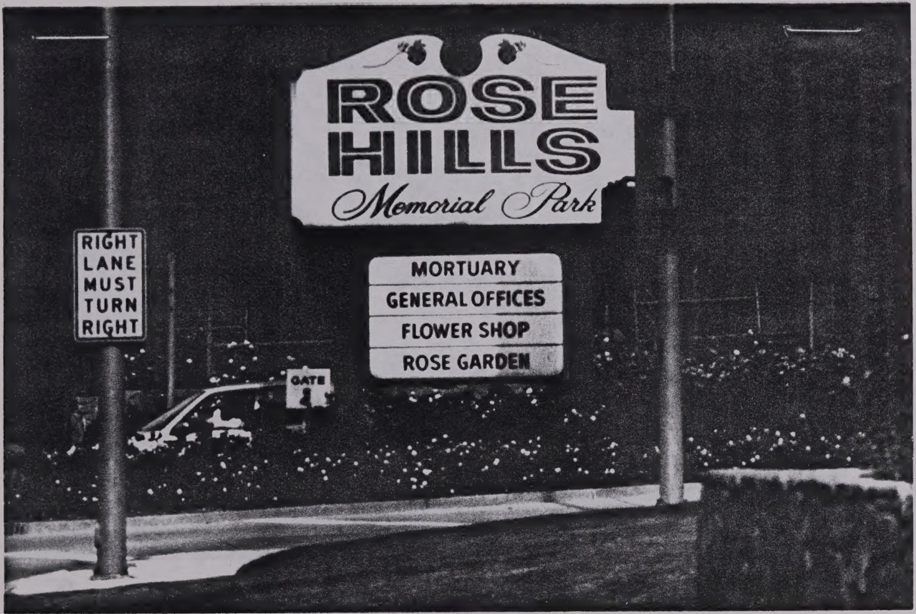
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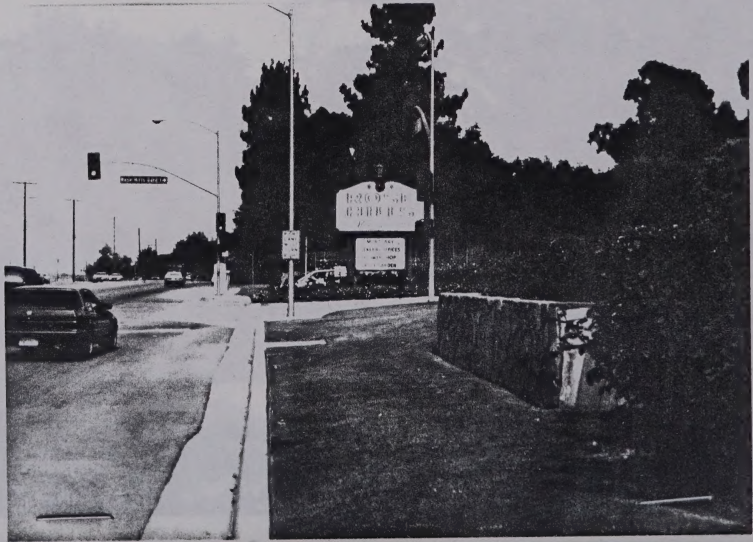

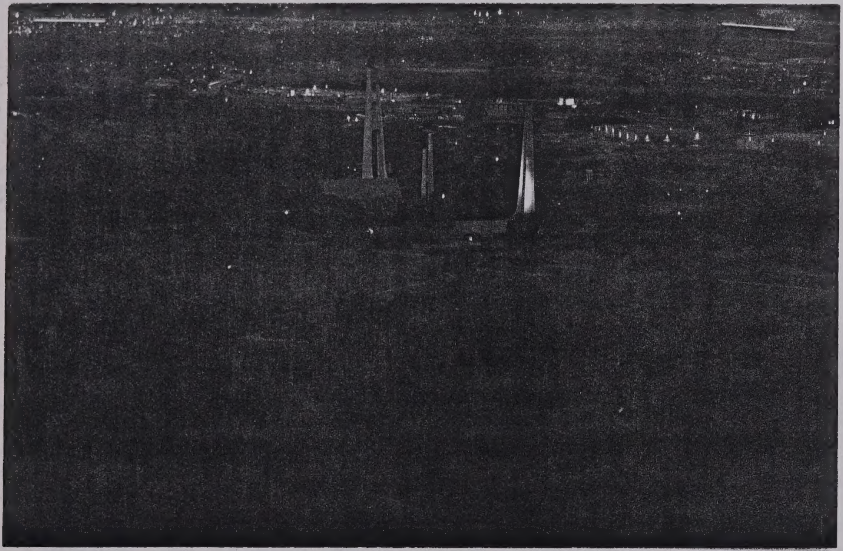

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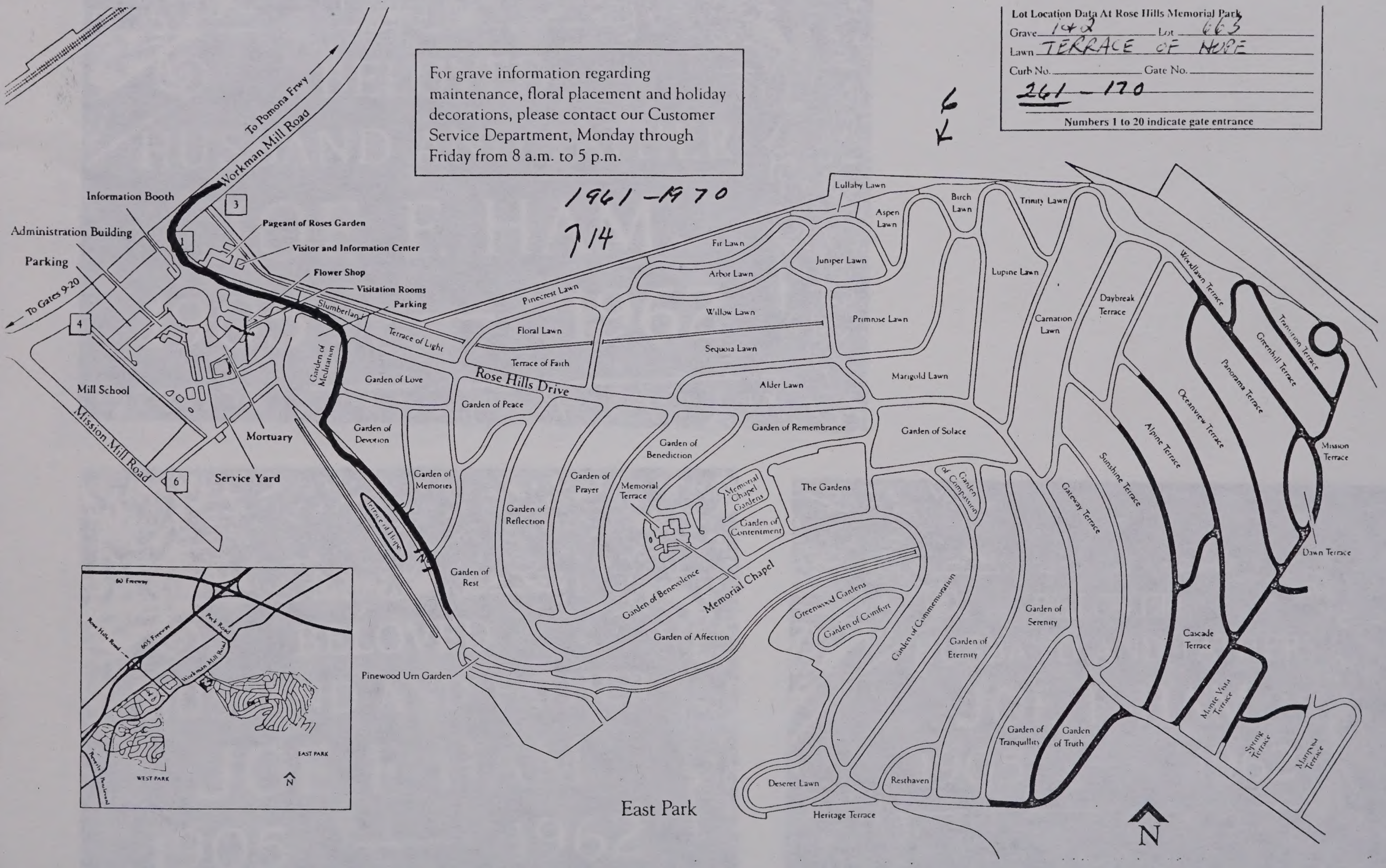
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Cascade Terrace
Monte Vista Terrace
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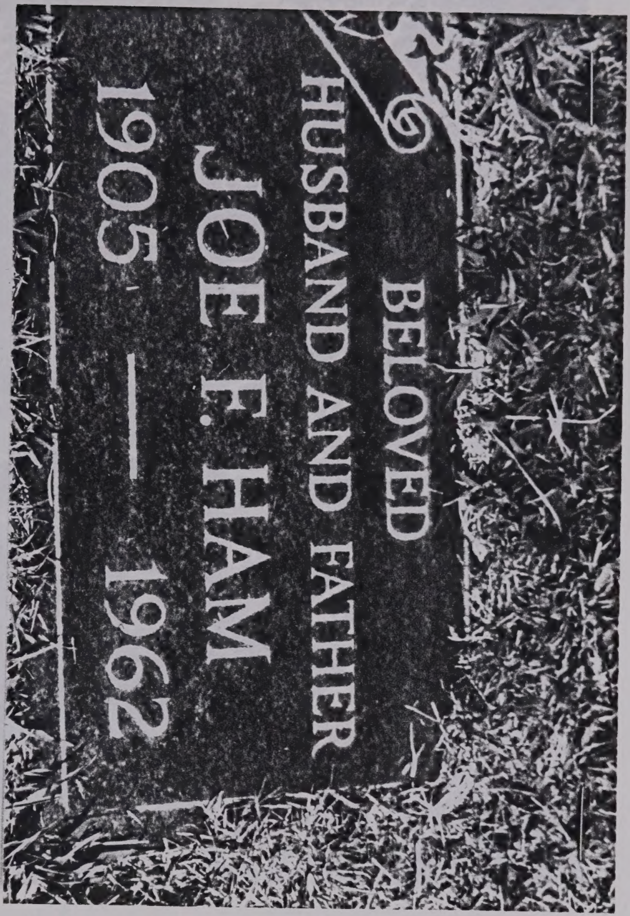
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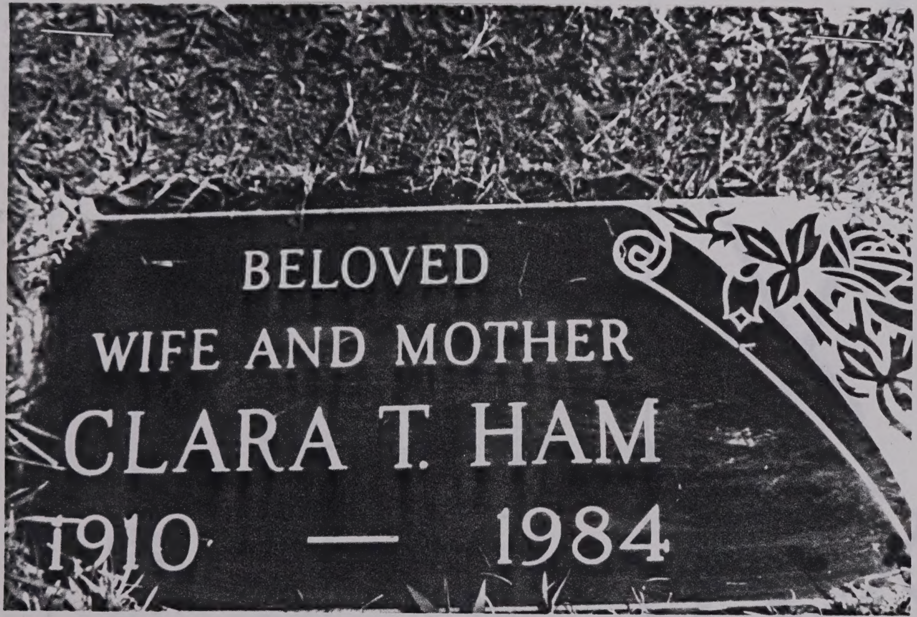
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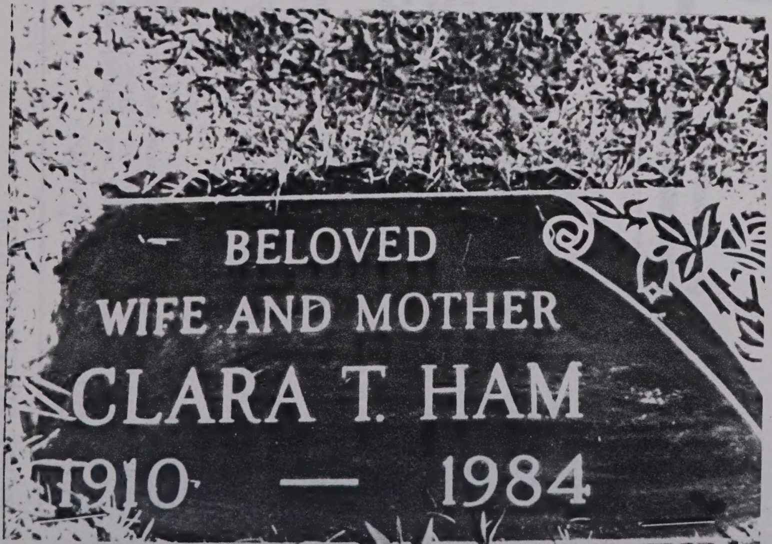
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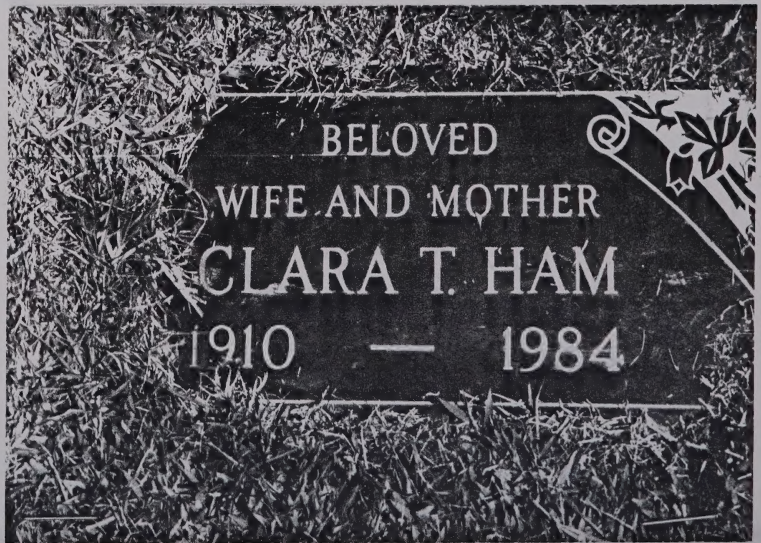
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VISITOR INFORMATION

Offering a wide range of services and facilities, Rose Hills has been serving the memorialization needs of Southland families for over 75 years.

Cemetery
The cemetery gates open each day throughout the year at 8 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. (Summer hours: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

Pageant of Roses Garden
A colorful display of approximately 7,000 rose bushes in over 600 varieties can be enjoyed daily from 8 a.m. to sunset. Free.

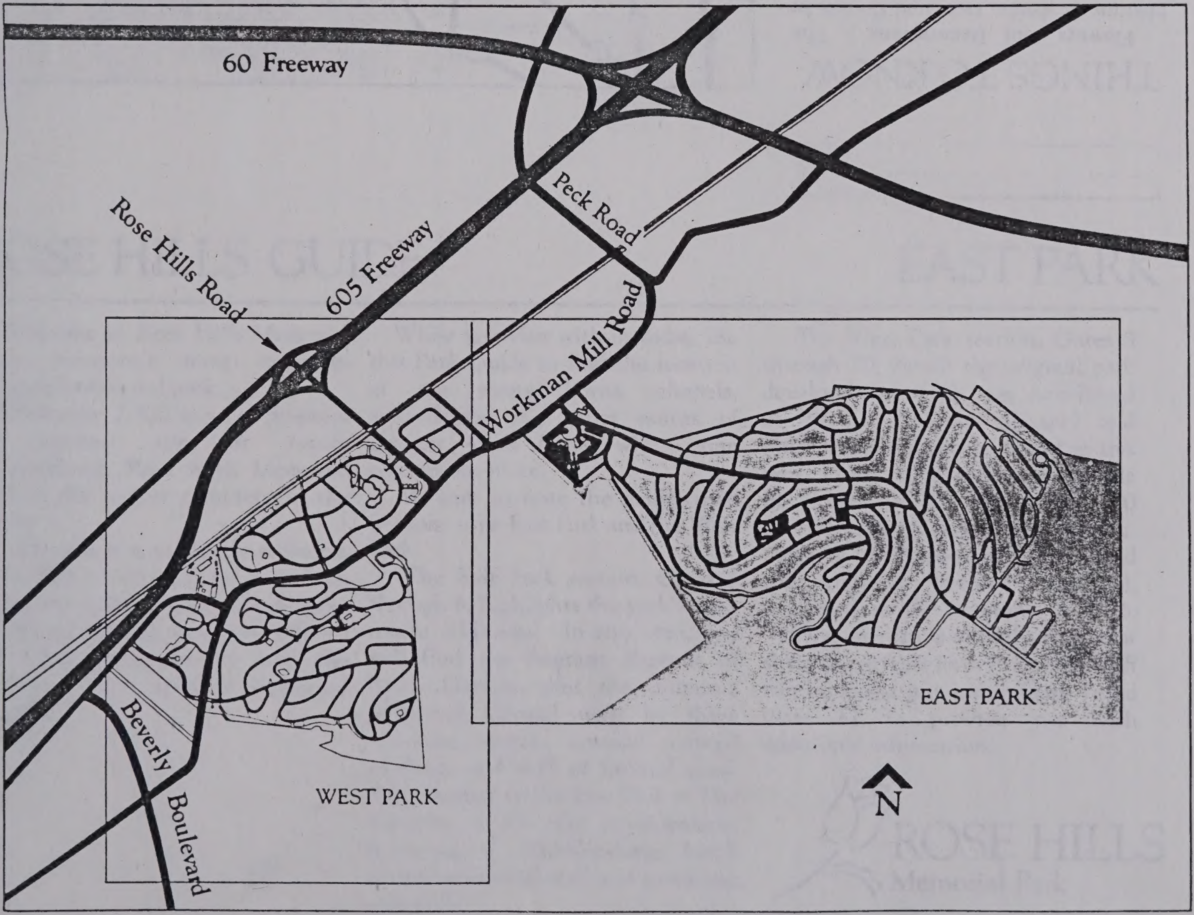
Japanese Garden
The aesthetic beauty of the East is captured in the Japanese Garden. A 2 1/2 acre lake inhabited by Japanese koi and mallard ducks is the focal point of this exquisite area, with a lakeside Azumaya or meditation house for peaceful reflection. An authentic Shogun monument and snow lanterns add flavor to this rare and exquisite garden.

Chapels and Mausoleums
These buildings are open to visitors when services are not in progress. The chapels and mausoleums open at 8 a.m. and close at 4:45 p.m.

Mortuary
Rose Hills Mortuary staff is on duty 24 hours a day. The Arrangements Office is open each day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Visitation Rooms are open 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Flower Shop
The newly relocated Rose Hills Flower Shop (at the north end of the Visitation wing, just inside Gate 1), offers a wide variety of flowers, plants, silk flower arrangements and some specialty gift items. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., daily, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on holidays.

Business Office
Located in the Administration Building, the Business Office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Cashier's Office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. For your convenience, a late-hour payment depository has been installed in the corridor between the Visitation and Mortuary reception areas, where payments can be made up to 8:30 p.m., seven days a week.



ROSE HILLS GUIDE

EAST PARK

Welcome to Rose Hills Memorial Park, America's most naturally beautiful memorial park.

With over 2,500 acres of property for current use or future development, Rose Hills Memorial Park is the largest cemetery in the world.

Although it is purposely secluded, Rose Hills is only minutes away from any point in the Greater Los Angeles or Orange County areas, and offers a full range of services to meet the memorialization needs of Southland families.

While you visit with us today, use this Park Guide to find the location of our many lawns, chapels, mausoleums and other points of interest - all found within one convenient place.

Be sure to note the guide's two versions - the East Park and the West Park.

The East Park section, Gates 1 through 6, highlights the park's most recent additions. In this area, you will find the fragrant Pageant of Roses Garden, plus the dramatic Memorial Chapel with its three towering spires, unusual curved roofline, and wall of faceted glass. Also located in the East Park is The Gardens, a 3.4 acre development, featuring a 200-foot-long black granite memorial wall and cascading waterfall.

The West Park section, Gates 8 through 20, details the original park development which was established in 1914. Rainbow Chapel and Hillside Chapel can be found in this area. Other points of interest include El Portal de la Paz, the 1930 Spanish-style mausoleum; the Eastern motif of the Japanese Garden; and the Arch of Freedom Memorial, dedicated to the veterans in 1976.

If you are unable to find a particular site or have questions, Rose Hills staff can be found just inside Gate 1 and Gate 17 to provide you with additional information.

ROSE HILLS
Memorial Park

THINGS TO KNOW

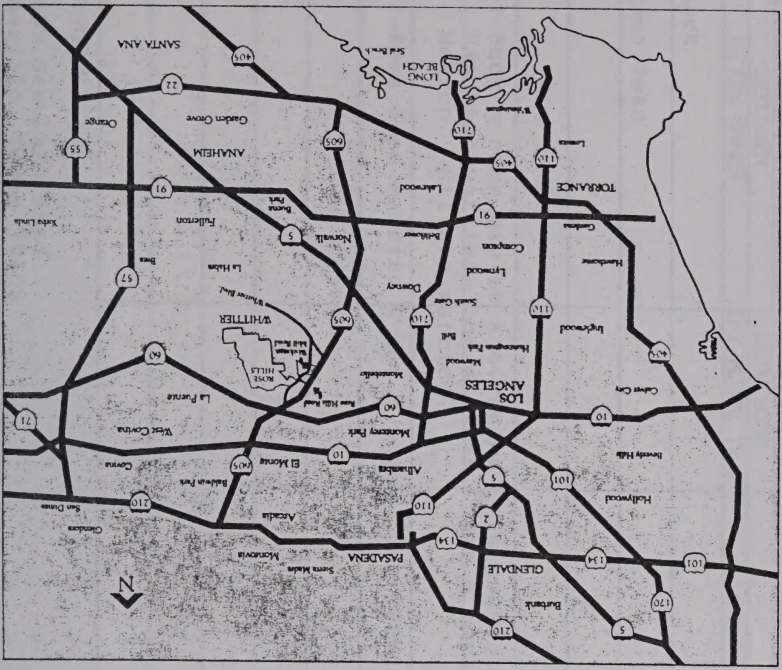
Flowers and Decorations - The planting of shrubs, trees and flowers by non-park personnel is prohibited. Cut flowers may be placed in gravesite vases which can be purchased at the Arrangements Office. Artificial flowers and decorations are permitted during these holidays: Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. To find out the exact day flowers and decorations will be removed after a holiday, call the Customer Service Department at ext. 370 or 262.

Flower Removal - Flowers will be removed from gravesites 2 days after funeral services have concluded.

Grave Locations - For grave location information, call ext. 256 or 257.

Group Tours - If you would like to schedule a tour for your group or organization, contact the Marketing Department at ext. 300. The tours are approximately 2 hours long and advance arrangements are necessary.

For further information, call Rose Hills at (213) 699-0921 or (714) 739-0601 from Orange County.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Beverly Hills
Alhambra
Monterey Park
Culver City
LOS ANGELES
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ROSE HILLS
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La Puente
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Huntington Park
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ROSE HILLS, A PLACE TO REMEMBER

1-1E (2-91 75M)

Husband TERRY L. EVANS (worked as a manager for a golf course)

ORN ____ PLACE ____

HR. ____ PLACE ____

ARR. ____ PLACE ____

IED ____ PLACE probably Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

UR. ____ PLACE probably Amarillo, Potter County, Texas

HUSBAND'S FATHER ____ MOTHER ____

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES ____

Wife MARY BELLE HAM

ORN 18 July 1906 Wednesday PLACE Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol 35 /page 254)

HR. ____ PLACE ____

IED ____ PLACE ____

UR. ____ PLACE ____

WIFE'S ATHER Thomas Franklin Ham MOTHER Mary Elizabeth King

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS ____

EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH Y
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#1-Buck's name may be a nickname. Is possible he is named after his father. Buck lives in California
Has been married 3 or 4 times. Has 3 boys that live in Utah & 1 girl that lives in Albuquerque, Ne
Mexico. All are married.

#2-Emma Jean married & had 3 boys. She died of cancer about 1975-1976 or 1977.

INFORMATION

4409 Gem Lake Road
Amarillo, Texas 79106
(806)353-0587 or 372-1197

OTHER MARRIAGE

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Thirteenth Census Of The Inited States (1910 Census)

State TEXAS County COMANCHE Township or other Division of County COMANCHE

Enumeration Date ______ Roll ______ Sheet ______ Dist. ______

Form C10
The Everton Publishers, Inc.
P.O. Box 368, Logan, utah 84321

Line	LOCATION: House number city or town	LOCATION: Number of dwelling house	LOCATION: Number of family	NAME of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	RELATION: Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	NATIVITY (Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the country.): Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Line
1		145	157	HAM, THOMAS	HEAD	M	W	37	M	14			TEXAS	LOUISIANA	GEORGIA	1
2				MARY	WIFE	F	W	35	M	14			ALABAMA	ALABAMA	ALABAMA	2
3				CARROLL C.	SON	M	W	11					TEXAS	TEXAS	ALABAMA	3
4				JOHN W.	SON	M	W	8					"	"	"	4
5				JOSEPH F.	SON	M	W	6					"	"	"	5
6				MARY C.	DAUGHTER	F	W	4					"	"	"	6
7				THOMAS J.	SON	M	W	10/12					"	"	"	7
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Line	CITIZENSHIP: Year of immigration to U.S.	CITIZENSHIP: Naturalized or Alien	Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	OCCUPATION: Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by person, as spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.	OCCUPATION: General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which person works, as cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.	Whether an employer, employee, or working own account.	If employee: Out of work on April 15, 1910	If employee: Weeks out of work during year 1909.	EDUCATION: Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1909	OWNERSHIP OF HOME: Owned or rented	Owned free or mortgaged	Farm or house	Number of farm schedule	Whether survivor Union, Confederate Army or Navy	Whether blind (both eyes).	Whether deaf and dumb.	REMARKS	Line
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Amarillo Tx 79106

Mr Mrs H.R. Ham
1285-E-Washington (Apod 27)
El cajon Cal-92020

K&M Company
POLY VII #TV119E

5-- -77

Dear Lillie and Herb

How are you both. Im so sorry you are sick. Terry says he sure understand how weak you feel. I wish we were close so I could come to see you at least, I wish there were some way to combat the awfull sickness. Terry so thin and weak. I Know God will here and can, we just hafto pray a lot

This a beautifull Lords day here every thing so pretty and green we had quite a bit of showers they sure have helped thing. I have been trying to clean up the yard a little at a time it looks some better I hafto be carefull not to get the Alergic stired up. I need to stay well as I can, it hurts to see Terry worry about things I try to keep things in good order in the yard. I hafto call them to get them to mow the grass. I dont like

2 To krafts do that.

Buck is Taking a new job back in Cal. starts the first of June. He will be in Phonix 3 Months negolating the buisnesses then he will go on to L.A. He will be home a few days before going to work on his new job. his children will be here for a few days with him. Mark the oldest boy wants to work here at the club in summer. but the other to would want to stay and be here while Mark is here. but I think it would make Terry to nerverous so much activity Im sure to Marlene want let them stay and Terry sick.

Buck's Son

Buck's wife

I do hope you are much better when you get this note. I dont do much ont try to Keep Things going no news. take good care of your self. you are on my prayer list.

God bless you both
Terry Mary B.

lusband THOMAS JEFFERSON HAM

ORN 7 June 1908 Sunday PLACE Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol. 14 /page 516)
HR. PLACE
ARR. PLACE
IED 24 Apr 1963 Wednesday PLACE Los Angeles County, California (54 yrs. 10 mons. 17 days old)
UR. PLACE probably Los Angeles County, California
USBAND'S ATHER Thomas Franklin Ham MOTHER Mary Elizabeth King
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife

ORN PLACE
HR. PLACE
IED PLACE
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IFE'S ATHER MOTHER
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EX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEAR

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE

KNOWN FACTS

Delayed Birth Certificate recorded at the Comanche County Courthouse (Vol. 14 Page 516) at Comanche, Comanche County, Texas for Thomas Jefferson Ham

Name	Spouses Initials	Sex 1 for male 2 for female	Social Security Number	County No.
Ham, Thomas J.	--	1	562-10-6098	#70 (Los Angeles Co.)

Death Date	Registrar No.	State File No.	Recorded
4-24-63	8896	51730	

Husband SAM FORD (worked at Patton State Mental Hospital, Highland, California)

BORN PLACE

CHR. PLACE

MARR. PLACE

DIED Suicide soon after wife's death PLACE in 1985==probably Yucaipa, San Bernardino County, California

BUR. PLACE probably Yucaipa, San Bernardino County, CAlifornia

HUSBAND'S FATHER MOTHER

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

Wife (BERTIS) GEORGIA BERTIS IRENE HAM

BORN 4 Sept 1913 Thursday PLACE Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas (Recorded Vol 14 /page 118)

CHR. PLACE

DIED 23 Dec 1985 Monday PLACE San Bernadino County, California (72 yrs 3 mons 19 days)

BUR. PLACE probably Yucaipa, San Berardino County, California

WIFE'S FATHER Thomas Franklin Ham MOTHER Mary Elizabeth King

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
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INFORMATION
34184 Countryline Road Sp. #22
Yucaipa, California 92399

OTHER MARRIAGE

KNOWN FACTS

Delayed Birth Certificate recorded at the Comanche County Courthouse (Vol 14 page 118) at Comanche, Comanche County, Texas for Georgia Bertis Irene Ham

According to Erma Lynn (Ham) Hodges, neice of Bertis Ford,=Sam & Bertis Ford lived & is buried in Yucaipa, California

Name	Spouses Initials	Sex 1 for male 2 for female	Social Security Number	Death Date
Ham, Birtis I	SF	2	548-28-4459	12-23-1985

County No.	Registrar No.	State File No.	Recorded
36 (San Bernardino Co.)	8448	191735	pg.5,697

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OCT. 23, 1987

Thirteenth Census Of The United States (1910 Census)

State TEXAS County COMANCHE Township or other Division of County COMANCHE

Enumeration Date ______ Roll ______ Sheet ______ Dist. ______

Form C10
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P.O. Box 368, Logan, utah 84321

	LOCATION			NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION							NATIVITY			
Line	House number city or town	Number of dwelling house	Number of family	of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910 was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	Relationship of the person to the head of the family.	Sex	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of yrs. present marr.	Mother of how many children: Number born	Mother of how many children: Number Now living	Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the state or territory. If of foreign birth, give the country. Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Line
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6				MARY C.	DAUGHTER	F	W	4					''	''	''	6
7				THOMAS J.	SON	M	W	10/12					''	''	''	7
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	CITIZENSHIP			OCCUPATION					EDUCATION			OWNERSHIP OF HOME							REMARKS	
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Bertis Ham 1920's

Husband GEORGE DALLAS HAM (for more information==look on his family files)

ORN 17 Aug 1874 Monday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche Co., Texas

HR. Baptist PLACE

ARR. 5 Feb 1896 Wednesday PLACE Comanche County, Texas by W.L. Skinner MG (Bk 2-1891-1896 pg. 455)

IED 2 Sept 1947 Tuesday PLACE Box 673 (So. Anza) El Cajon, San Diego County, California

UR. 6 Sept 1947 Saturday 10 AM PLACE Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego County, California

USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin

USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife MARY LORENE GIBBS

ORN 11 Sep 1879 Thursday PLACE Near Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

HR. PLACE

IED 23 Apr 1967 Sunday PLACE 670 So. Anza, El Cajon, San Diego County, California

UR. 26 Apr 1967 Wednesday 11 AM PLACE Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego County, California

IFE'S ATHER James C. Gibbs MOTHER Sarah Lorene Hixon

IFE'S THER USBANDS

EX /F	CHILDREN GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN DAY MONTH YEAR	WHERE BORN TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	DATE 1st MARR. TO WHOM	WHEN DIED DAY MONTH YEAR
F	Alma Loraine	15 Dec 1896	Grandparents Gibbs Home	Stephens	Texas	4 Aug 1913 William Ronald Bowling	29 Aug 1968
M	Woodford Jackson	23 Sep 1898	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	Unmarried	20 Oct 1918
F	Margaret Dallas	6 Nov 1900	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	16 Jan 1916 William Preston Henson	8 Nov 1989
M	Herbert Reed	26 Feb 1903	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	22 May 1929 Lillie Aloren Wood	19 Jul 1982
M	Fred Milton	26 Mar 1905	Near Comanche	Comanche	Texas	1-MamieJane Hejhal	
F	Irma Lynn	26 Jul 1908		Stephens	Texas	24 Dec 1928 Chester Coe Hodges	
F	Freida Ione	1 Feb 1910	Near DeLeon	Comanche	Texas	7 May 1929 Rufus Pool	5 Jul 1990
F	Reita Fern	9 Aug 1912	Sweetwater Creek Dist.	Comanche	Texas	12 May 1933 Julius Carey Kent (Red)	20 Dec 1989
F	Christine	23 Aug 1915	Buck Creek near Delwin	Cottle	Texas	23 Aug 1940 Guy Kenneth Brubaker	
M	Willard	7 May 1917	Villa Green	Las Animas	Colorado	24 Dec 1941 1-Doris Lenore Hamilton	
F	Mildred Jo	24 Nov 1919	Brice	Hall	Texas	20 June 1938 Leonard Leroy Stone	
M	George James, Sr.	12 Mar 1922	Villa Green	Las Animas	Colorado	3 Dec 1949 Mary Jane McKenzie	

INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGE
#5-Fred marr 2nd= 5 Aug 1944 Ann
Magovac
#10-Willard marr 2nd=Feb 1976Sharon
marr 3rd= 10 May 1981 Marjorey
Anna Schwegler

Husband LUTHER EDGAR HAM

ORN 11 June 1877 Monday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas
HR. PLACE
ARR. PLACE
IED 14 Dec 1888 Friday PLACE Comanche County, Texas (11 yrs 6 mons 3 days old)
UR. PLACE Suggs Cemetery, Sweetwater Creek Dist. Comanche County, Texas
USBAND'S ATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin
USBAND'S THER WIVES

Vife

ORN PLACE
HR. PLACE
IED PLACE
UR. PLACE
IFE'S ATHER MOTHER
IFE'S THER USBANDS

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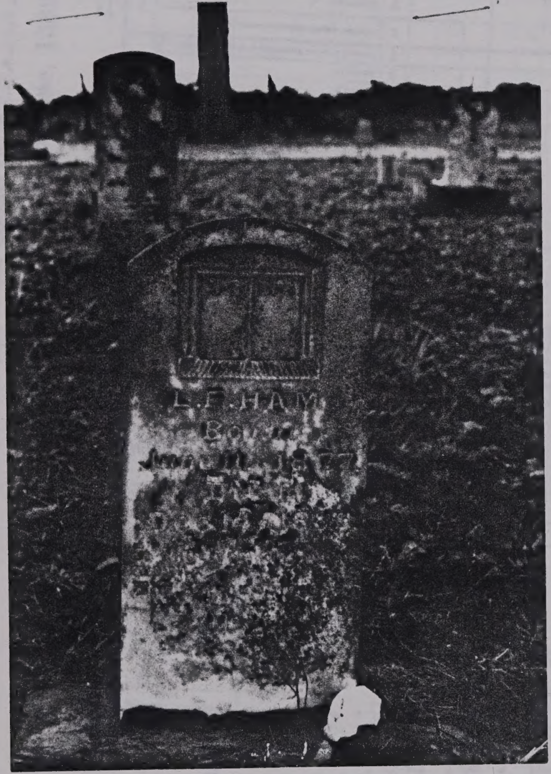
OTHER MARRIAGE



Dec. 5th, 1986

Luther Edgar Ham headstone
Suggs Cemetery
Comanche, Texas

Headstone reads =
Ham, L. E.
11 June 1877
14 Dec. 1888

Dist. No. 4

ion Dist. No. 31st

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

Received

ULE 1.—Inhabitants in 4 District (E D #31), in the County of Comanche, State of

enumerated by me on the 10 and 11 day of June, 1880.

Thomas O. M

THOMAS O. MOORE

Dwelling houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Personal Description: Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mulatto, Mu.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: $\frac{3}{12}$	If born within the Census year, give the month.	Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Civil Condition: Single, /	Married, /	Widowed, / Divorced, D.	Married during Census year, /	Occupation: Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Health: Is the person (on the day of the Enumerator's visit) sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind, /	Deaf and Dumb, /	Idiotic, /	Insane, /	Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, /	Education: Attended school within the Census year, /	Cannot read, /	Cannot write, /	Nativity: Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the Father of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.
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		" Margret E		F	44		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Tenn	N.C.
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		" William A		M	17		"	1				" "	✓										Texas	Tenn
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		" Martha		F	11		Daught	1				at Home								1			"	"
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54	154	Carmack John W		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Nancy		F	39		wife		1			Keepinghouse											Ill	Tenn
		" Joseph M		M	16		Son	1				Farming	✓										Texas	Mo
		" Geo Alx		M	14		"	1				Works on farm	✓										"	Ill
		" Lorin G		M	12		"	1				" " "											"	"
		" Laura A		F	10		Daught	1				At School								1			"	"
		" James P		M	8		Son	1				" Home								1			"	"
		" Wm Lee		M	6		"	1				" "											"	"
		" Chls F		M	4		"	1				" "											"	"
55	155	Kidd James M		M	53				1			Farmer	✓										"	"
		" Ellen J		F	33		Wife		1			Keepinghouse											Va	Va
		" James M		M	5		Son	1				at Home											Ala	U.S.a
		" Rebeca E		F	5		Daught	1				" "											Texas	Va
		" Geo W		M	2		Son	1				" "											"	"
		" Wm Columbus		M	$\frac{4}{12}$	Feby	"	1				" "											"	"
6	156	Matthews Jacob		M	47				1			Farmer	✓										" "	"
		" " Louisa		F	27		wife		1			Keepinghouse	12	Consumption									S.C.	Va
		" " Thos Edgar		M	9		Son	1				At Home											Texas	Ala
		" Davis H		M	7		"	1				" "								1			Texas	S.C.
7	157	Cooper John		M	43				1			Farmer	✓										" "	"
		" Mary		F	36		wife		1			Keepinghouse											" "	Alba
		Darnell Adkins		M	18		S Son	1				Farmer											Texas	"
		" Mary		F	16		S Daught	1				at Home												Texas
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Husband (CHARLIE) CHARLES DAVID HAM (Farmer)

BORN 21 Jan 1881 Friday PLACE Ham Homestead, Sweetwater Creek Dist., Comanche County, Texas

CHR. PLACE

MARR. PLACE

DIED 11 Nov 1919 Tuesday PLACE maybe Burkburnett, Wichita County, Texas (38 yrs. 9 mons 21 days ol

BUR. PLACE

HUSBAND'S FATHER William Alexander Ham MOTHER Margrett Emley Martin

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES

May be a death
record at
Burkburnett
for Charlie

Wife

BORN PLACE

CHR. PLACE

DIED PLACE

BUR. PLACE

WIFE'S FATHER MOTHER

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

SEX	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	WHERE BORN			DATE 1st MARR.	WHEN DIED
M/F	GIVEN NAMES	DAY MONTH YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE/COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY MONTH YEA
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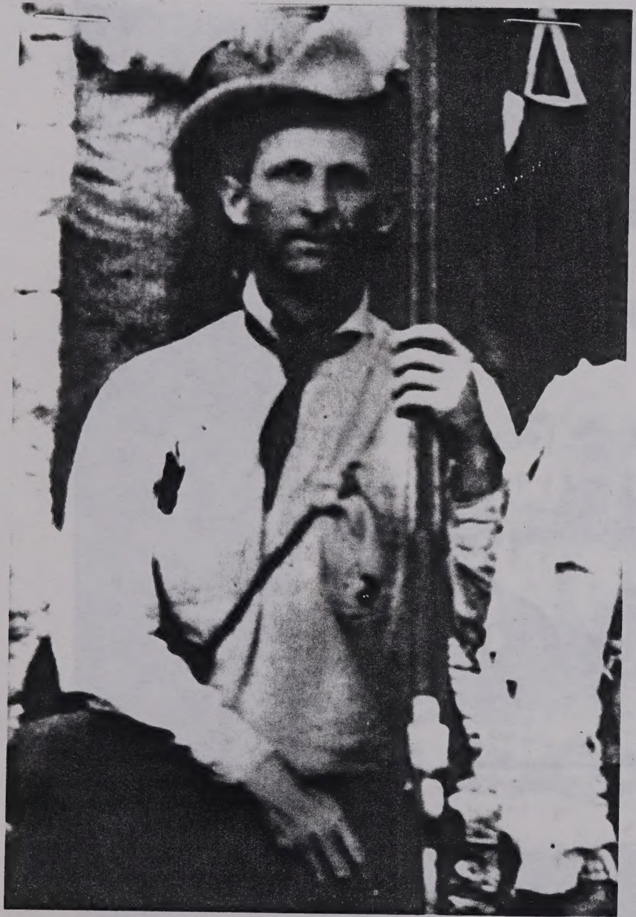
West side of DeLeon + Comanche + Beatie 1910 Census 191[illegible] 27/188 3

272-272 McMillan, John J. Household

Ham, Charles D. boarder 27 Single Tex U.S. U.S. Farmer Gen Farm Yes Yes No.

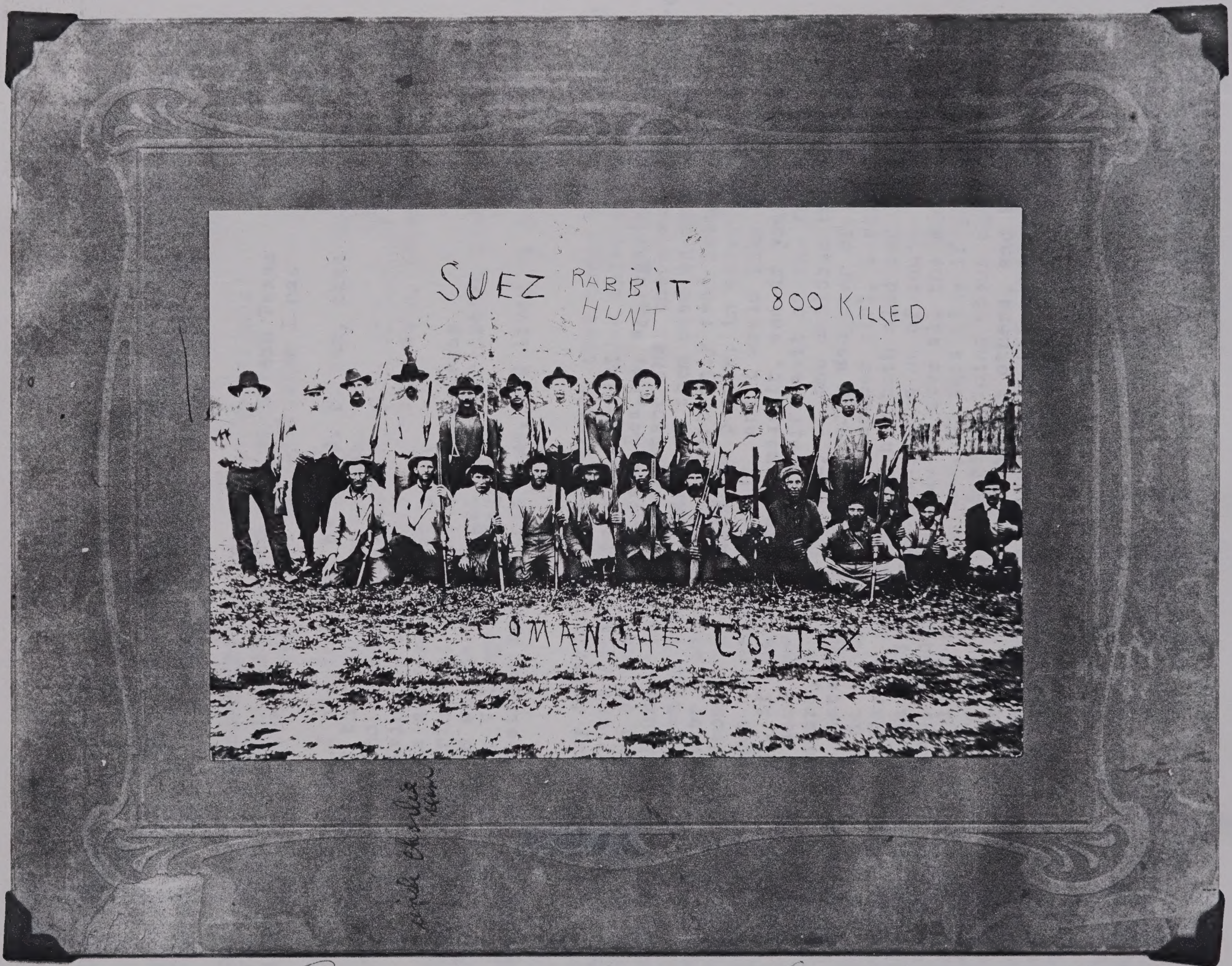


"Charlie"
Charles David Ham at the
Annual Rabbit Hunt
1912 or 1913
Comanche County, Texas

Annual Rabbit Hunt
Taken approximatly
1912 or 1913
Sweetwater Creek District
Comanche County, Texas

The reason for the annual rabbit hunt was to kill off all the rabbits that kept eating all the crops each year. The hunt had been going on for 50 to 60 years or more. Sometimes the men used rifles to kill the rabbits or sometimes their dogs (they hounds or Fox hounds). This particular year was the best year ever. They killed 800 rabbits

In the picture is Charlie Ham - a son of
Wm. Alexander Ham + brother to
George D. Ham
Jeff Bowling - the father of Ronald Bowling
who married the oldest daughter
of George D. Ham - Alma Ham
Sam Bowling - who was a cousin of Ronald
Bowling
Homer Randolph - who a very close friend
of Charlie and George Ham


SUEZ RABBIT HUNT
800 KILLED
COMANCHE CO. TEX
uncle Charlie Ham

Annual Rabbit Hunt
Comanche County, Texas

Approximately 1912 or 1913

with Sweetwater Creek in background

L. E. King
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Hemphill Texas

Feb. 6, 1920

Mrs. W. D. Markham

Dear Madam:

I have just looked up my file on this matter of the Ham Interest in the John Gilbert League, abstract No 18, Sabine Co, Texas. and I find the Ham children as follows, as I havem them; viz

Mary Josephine (yourself) who married W. D. Markham
J. D. Ham, who lived a year or so ago, at Deleon Texas
W. A. Ham Jr. was at Brady Texas, the last time I had any information of him.
Joel H. Ham, who I was informed by Mr. J. D. Ham, that he did not know at that time where he was.
Martha Jane Ham who married Jesse Martin, both of them died and left one child surviving by name of Alvin Martin was my information. Did not know his address at that time.
Thos. F. Ham, married and lived at Stamford Texas
George D. Ham, and at the time I got this information lived so I was informed at Village Green Colorado.
Charles D. Ham, a single man at that time, and lived at Burkburnett Texas.

So it seems from my information of the family that there are 8 heirs, and the land that they are entitled to is an undivided interest in two little subdivisions of the John Gilbert League, aggregating about 12 Acres of land as I understand. I understand that there was eleven children in the Wm. A. Ham family but that three of them died in infancy, and I have no affidavits or proofs of the matters only from letters and from information from those who know you people, in other words I have no proof to put on record about it, and I would like to get an Affidavit from you, if you can give or make it, and if you can give to me the name of some one who can make affidavit of the facts, so I can place it of record, to show how many of the children there was, I notice that you state that you are the only daughter of Wm. A. Ham and the way I have it is that there was another girl, Martha Jane, who married Jesse, Martin and if he and her both died and left a boy (Alvin Martin) as my information is, then he of course would heir his mothers interest, I would also like to have all the addresses, of the whereabouts of all these people now, at this time if you know there whereabouts and addresses, I do not care anything about the two that I already have purchased, but what I mean the others, and if I cannot purchase the others little interest, I will sell to you what I have allready purchased if you want to buy it and take the risk of getting it all straightened out.

For all those land matters on the Gilbert League seem to be in somewhat of a muddle howeve if you had rather and will come over and look the matter up you will find it like I tell you, and I will be glad to help you in the way of showing you just what the records show in the matter.

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I would like to have all the little Ham interest for I haven't enough to do anything with hardly without the other little interest to put with what I all ready have.

Thanking you in advance for your favors, and hoping to hear from you with reference to the little matter.

I am yours truly

signed L. E. King